Three Straight Senator Wins Look Mighty Good

Here's All the Best in the Day's Sport News

And It's the First Time This Year for Snappers

CHARLES GURTZ GETS TO CAMP

Manager Snapp, However, Has Not Decided What to Do With Extra Man.

MUCH IMPROVEMENT SEEN

Lots of Spirit and Dash Now Shown by Squad; Pitching Considerably Better.

BY B. A. B.

A new arrival was lounging around the lobby at the Saratoga hotel, baseball headquarters, this morning. He was none other than Charles Gurtz of Bloomington, Ill., infielder and .300 hitter, who was hastily summoned last week by President E. M. Duncan of the local club when the Senators were apparently going to pieces.

Now that Gurtz is here, however, Manager Snapp is in a quandry. He doesn't know what to do with the newcomer who batted .333 last year in the Three Eye league in ninety-five games.

That Sudden Reversal.

Since the hurry-up call was sent to Gurtz last week, a wonderful change has come over the Senators. They came out of the slump after losing the first game to Tulsa on Thursday, and have been going at a terrific clip. One new face in the lineup, that of Johnny Blue, who took short when Clemens was moved to third in the place of Brannon, and a few slight changes in the batting order, seemingly has worked wonders. The Senators played the league-leading Producers off their feet in the last two games and started a new series by downing the Mets Sunday. It was the first time this season that the Oklahoma City club has been able to win as many as three straight games.

So, apparently, Snapp has effected a winning combination with the material he already had on hand. Hence the question of what disposition to make of Gutrz puzzled him.

Gutrz to Be Tried.

That Gurtz will be given a good trial, however, now that he's here, was thought certain. But Snapp did not know Monday morning where the new infielder would be tried out.

He said Gurtz might be placed temporarily at second base, where Snapp himself, at present, is laboring. Whether this would mean the ousting of Clemens from third is not known. Snapp would not say what he contemplated in regard to this.

"I don't know what I'll do," he said.

Jules Watson of Mobile, Ala., the other new infielder who was expected, has not arrived and does not seem to be needed very badly at present. As the result of the unusual change in the playing of the Senators it is probable that he will be instructed not to report.

Williamson's Change.

The most remarkable change noted in the work of the Senators in the last few days has been the sudden improvement of Williamson, the recruit centerfielder. Since being placed in the leadoff position, Williamson has been batting like a real slugger. He opened Friday's game at Tulsa with a two-base hit, broke the ice the next day with a single and poled a double Sunday when he stepped to the plate against Muskogee for the first time. He got two hits Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Another thing that is very pleasing to the management of the local club is the improvement of the pitching staff. Phillips has returned to form, and Herbert and Haag are pitching good ball. "Lib" Smith, the strikeout puzzler, has been showing with lots of stuff.

Some Confidence.

Those two victories over Tulsa, Friday and Saturday, and the win from Muskogee Sunday, has filled the Senators with confidence. Lack of spirit was regarded as responsible for several of the defeats experienced by Snapp's men, and with the squad brimming over with confidence, a good showing is expected of them now.

HEINIE MAAG WARMLY RECEIVED BY CROWD

Heinie Maag, genial boss of the Senators for the last two years, who resigned his Oklahoma City post and accepted the job of leading the Muskogee Mets, was given a nice round of applause yesterday afternoon when he made his first appearance of the season here. Heinie led the Senators to a pennant in 1914 and piloted them to second place last season.

But while Heinie was being treated nicely by the Oklahoma City fans he did not fare so fine with His Umps, Mr. Myers. In the ninth inning Heinie, together with Tony Henderson (Theho) and Joe Robinson, was expelled from the park by the umpire for objecting to a decision on strikes.

Johnny Coulon, the ex-bantam champion, advises all boxers to have their teeth attended to carefully. Evidently the big idea is that when a scrapper gets out of the "pork-and" class he should be prepared to masticate real sirloin.

The Days of Real Sport - - - By Briggs

CUTSHAW IS CREDITED WITH FREAKIEST HOME RUN EVER

BY FRANK G. MENKE.

NEW YORK, May 15.—George Cutshaw, of the Dodgers, exuded a circuit clout against the Phillies a week or so ago, which will romp down through the ages of history as the most remarkable since the game was born.

It was a drive that Cutshaw made in an accidental way to start with: a swat that sent the ball in a zig-zag course to the fence, and a blow that was flukey in the extreme because after the ball hit near the bottom of the fence it practically crawled up to top, flattened there a second or so—and then dropped over. Cutshaw's ludicrous actions while the ball was deciding what it should do form the humorous chapter in the story.

The score was tied in the eleventh when Cutshaw went to bat, facing Mayer. The Phillie pitcher heaved a slow one at the Dodger second sacker. Cutshaw started a swing, went half way and then "tumbled" to the fact that the ball was a floater. He "pulled" his stroke but just as he stopped, he noticed that the ball was curving in, whereupon he made another swipe at it and through some freak caught it on the end of the bat.

Ball Zig-Zags Along.

The ball shot through the air, about ten feet above ground. It sailed just inside the right field foul line, turning and twisting as it went. To the spectators watching that ball zipping along, it looked like a succession of inshoots. As it neared the fence, it started to descend. It struck a board which was nailed to the bottom of the fence, but which jutted out about three feet.

As the ball hit that board just where the top of this board and the fence meet, it seemed to hesitate for a fraction of a second. Then, to the utter amazement of the crowd, it climbed the twelve feet of wall, as though it had legs. Slowly but surely it moved upward. Finally it reached the top of the fence. Defying the laws of gravity it remained stationary for the barest fraction of a moment and while the 25,000 crowd stood spell-bound, the ball rested for a second on the top of the wall and then rolled out into the street.

Cutshaw Bewildered.

But, in the meantime, Cutshaw was performing antics that almost were as strange as those of the ball. When he rounded first, the Dodger second baseman saw that the ball was headed for the bottom of the fence—a normal two-base hit, if a player hustles. And Cutshaw hustled. He turned first under full head of steam, and slid into second in a whirlwind fashion. He jumped to his feet a second later and began looking around for orders from the coaches.

Wilbert Robinson, manager of the Dodger, was signalling something in a frantic way. Cutshaw figured that Robinson was ordering him to try for third. Cutshaw started, but when he got no sign from the other coacher, who, by the way, was too busy watching the ball climb, he figured he had misinterpreted Robinson's signals. So Cutshaw whirled around ran back toward second and swept into the bag in a cloud of dust.

Then Cutshaw jumped to his feet again and while he brushed his togs he began looking for orders—and also for the ball. But he couldn't see one or hear the other. The park was a bedlam. Robinson was telling something to Cutshaw but it was lost in the tumult. And Robinson was waving his arms in a frenzied way.

But did "Robby" mean that Cutshaw should stay at second or go to third? Cutshaw pondered and at last decided to try the advance. Cutshaw raced for it. Half way along on his journey the third base coacher, taking advantage of the temporary lull in the cheering, shouted:

"You hit a homer (George—a homer) slow down"

And then the amazing truth dawned upon Cutshaw and he walked the rest of the way to the home plate, while the huge crowd went into another frenzy of madness at this unexpected eleventh inning victory.

Diamond GLINTS

Hooray! We're out of the cellar again. Sherman and Paris dropped below the Senators yesterday, losing, while Snapp's men were handing a licking to Heinie von Maag's crew.

Those pesky Giants certainly are proving a thorn in the sides of the National league western clubs, so far. They took four in a row from Pittsburgh, and Sunday opened up with a victory over Chicago.

Nishoff has been winning a lot of games for Philadelphia this spring. He won another Sunday, his single in the tenth scoring Bancroft, with the run that beat Cincinnati.

Baseball Calendar

WESTERN ASSOCIATION STANDING.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Tulsa	16	6	.727	Denison	11	12	.478
Fort Smith	14	10	.583	Okla. City	10	13	.435
Muskogee	12	12	.500	Sherman	9	14	.391
McAlester	11	11	.500	Paris	9	14	.391

RESULTS YESTERDAY—At Oklahoma City, 7, Muskogee, 1. At Denison, 10, Sherman, 4. At Fort Smith, 14; Paris, 0. At Tulsa-McAlester, rain.

GAMES TODAY—Muskogee at Oklahoma City. McAlester at Tulsa. Paris at Fort Smith. Sherman at Denison.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	12	6	.667	St. Louis	13	12	.520
Boston	12	7	.632	Cincinnati	12	14	.462
Chicago	13	12	.520	Pittsburgh	10	16	.385
Philadel.	11	10	.524	New York	7	14	.333

RESULTS YESTERDAY—At St. Louis 2, Brooklyn 2. At Cincinnati 3; Philadelphia 4 (ten innings). At Chicago 4, New York 6.

GAMES TODAY—Brooklyn at St. Louis. New York at Chicago. Philadelphia at Cincinnati. Boston at Pittsburgh.

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDING.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	15	9	.625	Boston	17	13	.500
Washington	15	9	.625	Chicago	12	16	.429
New York	12	11	.522	Philadel.	9	15	.375
Detroit	13	13	.500	St. Louis	8	15	.348

RESULTS YESTERDAY — No games scheduled.

GAMES TODAY—Chicago at Boston. St. Louis at Philadelphia. Detroit at Washington. Cleveland at New York.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION STANDING.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Louisville	16	5	.762	Indianapolis	11	10	.524
Columbus	12	8	.600	St. Paul	9	10	.474
Minneapolis	11	8	.579	Kansas City	8	13	.381
Toledo	11	9	.550	Milwaukee	5	18	.217

RESULTS YESTERDAY—At Milwaukee 1; Louisville 2. All other games rain.

GAMES TODAY—Columbus at St. Paul. Toledo at Minneapolis. Indianapolis at Kansas City. Louisville at Milwaukee.

WESTERN LEAGUE STANDING.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Lincoln	12	8	.667	Des Moines	8	10	.444
Topeka	12	7	.632	St. Joseph	9	12	.429
Wichita	12	8	.600	Sioux City	7	10	.412
Omaha	9	9	.500	Denver	7	13	.350

RESULTS YESTERDAY—At Topeka 9; Wichita 2. At St. Joseph 5, Denver 2. Other games rain.

GAMES TODAY—Denver at Des Moines. St. Joseph at Sioux City. Topeka at Lincoln. Wichita at Omaha.

TEXAS LEAGUE STANDING.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Ft. Worth	16	10	.615	Galveston	14	14	.500
Shreveport	17	12	.586	S. Antonio	14	15	.483
Waco	17	12	.586	Dallas	13	17	.433
Houston	17	13	.567	Beaumont	11	18	.379

RESULTS YESTERDAY—At Dallas 3; Fort Worth 2. At San Antonio 6; Houston 5. At Waco 13-4; Shreveport 2-1. At Beaumont 10; Galveston 11 (twelve innings).

GAMES TODAY—Dallas at Galveston. Fort Worth at Houston. Shreveport at San Antonio. Waco at Beaumont.

Kansas City is going to abolish decision bouts because high-class boxers refuse to box for decisions.

SNAPP'S MEN WIN ANOTHER

Make It Three Straight Victories by Taking the Opener From Muskogee.

Displaying dash and zipping the life of which had not been seen before at Saratoga park this season, Snapp's Senators celebrated their return home Sunday by taking the opening game of the series from Muskogee, 7-1, for their third straight victory.

Haag, the redskin, who was in the mound for Oklahoma City, and "Jeff" Masters, who started the game for the Mets, engaged in a battle royal. Hits were few and far between, but Masters indulged in periodical fits of wildness that enabled runs to come his way. Masters got loose a wild pitch in the first inning that accounted for the first of the Senators markers. He forced in another run in the fourth by issuing a base when the bases were loaded. In the sixth, with three men on bases and two balls and no strikes on the batter, up "Smoky Joe" Williams was sent to the rescue. Joe walked in one run, then settled down.

The Mets' only run resulted from two bases on balls, an error and Joe Robinson's single.

The box score:

MUSKOGEE—	AB	R.	H.	PO	A.	E.
Henderson, cf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Sweek, 2b	2	1	1	4	1	1
Allen, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Robinson, lf	2	0	1	2	0	0
*Roth	1	0	0	0	0	0
Palmer, ss	4	0	0	1	2	0
Huggy, 3b	4	0	0	1	1	1
McMahan, 1b	4	0	0	14	1	1
Smith, c	3	0	0	4	2	0
Masters, p	2	0	0	0	3	0
Williams, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	1	3	24	11	3
OKLAHOMA CITY—						
Williamson, cf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Snapp, 2b	4	1	1	3	1	0
Payne, 1b	4	0	1	8	0	0
Nagle, rf	4	1	2	2	0	0
McCabe, lf	3	0	0	0	1	1
Clemens, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	1
Blue, ss	2	0	0	2	3	0
Bowle, c	3	0	0	10	1	0
Haag, p	3	0	1	0	1	1
Totals	29	3	8	27	12	3

*Roth batted for Robinson in ninth.

By innings:

Muskogee	000 001 000—	1
Oklahoma City	100 101 00*—	3

Summary: Twobase hits: Williamson, Henderson; sacrifice hits: Snapp, Payne, Sweek; stolen base, Nagle; hits off Masters 2 in 5 2-3 innings; bases on balls, off Masters 3, off Williams 2, off Haag 4; struck out, by Haag 10; double plays, Snapp to Payne, Masters to McMahan to Palmer, Sweek to McMahan. Time, one hour forty-five minutes. Umpire, Myers.

Having rested since Saturday, the Cleveland Indians, who were picked to finish seventh in the American league, are now ready to proceed with another winning streak. They were defeated twice by the Red Sox last week, but came back with a win over the Red Sox Friday and another over the Yanks Saturday.

The Daily Oklahoman team is leading the Commercial league with two games won and none lost.

The Sportlight

By GRANTLAND RICE

HIS DAY OF RECREATION.

Chapter One.

Horace Seybold was a Tired Business Man. Through the week he kept pretty well fagged out with a deep mental and physical depression. But Saturday afternoon he quit work and rushed out briskly to the golf course to give his battered nerves a rest and his mental depression an uplift.

Chapter Two.

Standing on the first tee Horace Seybold looked out across the soft green fairways, whitewashed in patches from the May snow of the apple blossoms and all the bouquets of his soul rose to his throat. "This," said Horace, "is nothing short of THE LIFE." So saying he promptly teed up the ball, took a wild swing and saw it bound bitterly into a heavy undergrowth about eighty feet away. Four few rubbers more finally got him safely out and three accounting strokes, followed by two fine approach shots and three well nigh perfect putts finally got him a 12 for the hole.

Chapter Three.

On the second hole Mr. Seybold got one top his tee shot, but he sliced a couple of bounds. The only topping he did was with his mashie when he finally succeeded in plunking the ball into a water hazard guarding the green. Still, in spite of this touch back, he managed to eke out a 12, which was only 8 over par.

Chapter Four.

From the third tee Mr. Seybold neither topped nor sliced. He varied the monotony a little by hooking one into a deep trap where he whaled away until one blade got to hot to handle. Playing perfectly after he had gotten out, he should have had a par for this hole if the par had been 11 instead of 4.

Chapter Five.

Mr. Seybold finally went out in 54. He wanted to stay out but he was blocking the course and so he had to start in. When he finally got an 8 on the eighteenth hole, giving him a 143 for the round, his soul was bleeding, his nervous system was torn in several twains, his whole week had been spoiled and he was sore on existence, including the hereafter. He had come out to gambol on the green and had spent nearly three hours underground jousting in the sand.

Horace Seybold, as we said above, was a Tired Business Man. No wonder.

A Year Ago Today.

John Franklin Baker was hoeing his turnip patch down in Grandold Trappe; the Federal league was planning an invasion of New York; the Phillies were being jushed and spoofed as pennant contenders; Hans Wagner was said to be on the point of being benched. The Giants were expected to start from the bottom for the top at any moment.

Charley Somers spent fourteen years and a fortune in attempting to give Cleveland a winner. The year he steps down and out the club buzzes from seventh place to the top in less than a month.

G. F. S.—If we had our pick of any one outfielder in baseball it would be a tough selection between Cobb, Veach and Heilman or Crawford of the Tigers or Burns, Kauff and Robertson of the Giants.

HEAVIES TO BE SEEN TONIGHT

Willard and Tartar Will Meet in 10-Round Bout; Four Preliminaries.

Heavyweights will be seen in action in a ten-round bout tonight at the B. M. A. A. for the first time since the boxing game in Oklahoma City was rejuvenated. Young Willard of Yukon, 200-pound nephew of Simms Samson, secretary of the club, will meet Young Tartar of Parsons, Kansas. Both trained hard for the bout, and are in excellent shape.

For the last several weeks members of the Business Men's Athletic association have been petitioning secretary Samson to offer a pair of heavyweights. Willard and Tartar were the best to be had, locally, as they were matched. In the event the bout proves popular with members of the club others may be offered.

Young Willard was seen in action here before, in the first ring appearance. He boxed four rounds with "Kit" Morris, a bouncer of "Doc Carr" of Sapulpa.

Secretary Samson was busy this morning completing the card for tonight. He said there would be three four-round bouts for the fans and one of six rounds before the main event.

Tom Storie, the champion lightweight of the club, may be seen in action tonight, as Ward Carnahan, who was to meet Storie next Monday has decided not to re-enter the ring.

MISSOURI GIRLS IN TRACK MEET TODAY

COLUMBIA, Mo., May 15.—The second annual track and field meet of the Missouri Junior College Association for Women is being held here today and much rivalry is manifested by the different schools represented. Eleven events are on the program, most of which are similar to those in which men of Missouri colleges take part. Seven girls' colleges of the state are eligible and it is said all of them are represented.

In addition to the regular events, rifle shooting and a swimming meet are added attractions and much interest is being shown in these two events. The swimming meet will be held in the natatorium of Stephens college.

PITCHER KIRBY INJURED SERIOUSLY; SENT HOME

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 15.—According to word from President E. G. Allen who is with his Little Rock Southern league club at Birmingham, Pitcher Larue Kirby, former St. Louis Federal who has been used also as an outfielder, was badly hurt at Birmingham Saturday that he has been sent home to Elsie, Mich. He collided with Clarke in covering a play at first base but finished pitching the game.

Pitcher Bill ("String") Powell, who has been suspended because of a broken ankle, was ordered to report.

The Cubs outhit the Giants 15 to 9, but lost the game 4 to 6.

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