

The Six Day Rider May Be as Brave as the Fighter But His Courage Is Cheaper

CALIFORNIA PACIFIC SPORTS

HUMBOLDT HAS NEW STARS

All Seal Players Must Fight It Out for Positions on the Team

By JOE MURPHY

"I have a couple of deals hanging fire," said Del Howard yesterday afternoon. "And until I know where I stand in these matters I will make no further changes in my club."

"If I secure the players that I am negotiating for, then there will be some changes," he continued. "I have several men in view who I expect to land, and, if successful, they should prove to be winners with a minor league club."

"They are major league players, and I expect to learn after the first of the year whether I can have them. At the present time I am just waiting for developments."

Walter Cartwright and all the other boys are still in line for jobs.

"I am going down to my ranch tomorrow, where I will spend a few days, and after a brief stay there I will continue on to Los Angeles to see Overall. I am satisfied I will have no trouble bringing the big fellow around."

"I am not going to let Cartwright go, unless I find another man who can hold down the third bag better than Cartty. I am going to allow the players to fight for the position, and it will be a case of the fittest of the fittest. They will all get an even break, and the preference will be given the players who show the class."

"Henley's case is before me, and I am in a quandary what to do. If Cack can get a job as a catcher, I will release him, but I am not going to give it to him so that he can join some other club in the league. I suppose I should allow Henley to go, and say, for instance, he joined Venice or Sacramento. Naturally, every time the Sox would face Henley he would be pitching his head off to beat us. If he is successful, I would show me up in a peculiar light and I would be the loser."

"I am willing to trade Henley to one of the other clubs in the league if I can get a good player in exchange. Hogan has been a good manager in the league who has talked about getting Henley for his club. If I get the players that I am negotiating for I will not need Cack next year."

"He realizes that he has been with the Sox too long. There is such a thing as playing too long in one town and a man needs a change."

"Cartwright is going to be taken along with the squad to Boyes Springs when the Sox start, and it is entirely up to him to make good. If he shows more class than the other players in the fight for the third bag he will get it."

Mike Lynch of the Spokane club of the Northwestern league would like to see Cartwright, but he is opposed to part with Cartty at this time."

Henry Berry of Los Angeles has added to the batting strength of his club by getting Catcher Harry Meek of the Victoria club of the Northwestern league. He was secured by Berry through a trade in which Pitcher Babe Driscoll and Outfielder Mike Wottell were given to Victoria for the big catcher.

Meek is somewhat of a batting phenom. He has batted more than 300 for 15 years, but he has never been able to break into the big league. He is in the neighborhood of 300 pounds and is slow. Lack of speed has kept him out of the big league.

Berry intends to use Meek in the role of a pinch hitter. Players who know Meek and have played with him declare that he would bat at a 300 gait in any league. He is one of those natural hitters who takes a mighty swipe at the ball.

At the annual meeting of the Oakland Baseball association held last night Frank W. Leavitt was again elected president of the club. John P. Cook was elected secretary. J. R. Lanktree, Henry Meyer and Harry Anderson were the other directors elected.

Mack Is There With A Real Live Alibi

Connie Mack is out with the alibi for not putting pinch hitters in place of Lapp and Plank in the second game of the world's series, which Matty won after a 10-inning fight. Connie breaks an ironclad rule to give his excuses in an article in the Saturday Evening Post.

Claiming that "Big Six" has an advantage over the batter on his first trip to the plate, but that the champion wears off in subsequent visits, Mack found that Lapp struck out the first time he faced Matty, hit sharply to Davis the second time and hit safely the third. Therefore he counted on him for further improvement on the fourth trip.

As for Plank, Connie declared that Eddie hit the ball harder than any other player on the team during the game, having made one safety and being robbed of a hit by Fletcher on another try. Therefore he decided to let Plank linger in the contest. But he broke with the other way, resulting in criticism for the manager and a late defense of his action.

HUMBOLDT MISSION MEET

The Humboldt evening high and the Mission high track and field teams will have a dual meet at the stadium this afternoon, the first event being scheduled for 1 o'clock. Humboldt has already shown its ability on the track by defeating Cogswell some weeks ago. Though Humboldt only has a team of eight men to rely on, they are going into the dual meet with hopes of being able to trim the Mission boys. The latter school has some good athletes, and will be able to put a larger team in the field than their opponents. The Humboldt team named this morning is as follows: James Kennedy, captain; A. Linstrom, J. Gould, W. Ott, S. Rickenbach, W. Dooling, A. Newhoff and C. A. Morris.

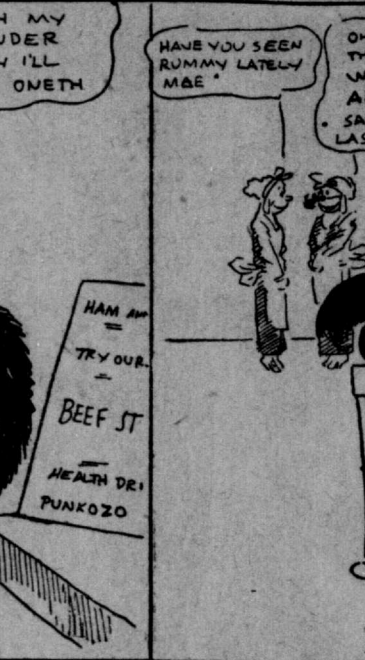
The Judge's Wife Gets an Earfull at the Beanery

AND NOW MY STORY BEGINS. A STORY REALLY NEVER DOES BEGIN UNTIL A SKIRT ENTERS SO HERE IS THE SKIRT.

MRS. A. RUMHAUSER, WIFE OF THE NOTED JURIST ALEXANDER RUMHAUSER, RESPECTED BAR AND BENCH LAYS OFF HER XMAS SHOPPING TO GRAB A FEW EATS.

WHERE DOES THE POOR LADY GO BUT RIGHT INTO THE BEANERY WHERE MAE THE WAITRESS DEALS EM OFF THE ARM—WHERE HARRY POLES AS THE JUDGE—

WHERE THE GREAT CONSPIRACY WAS HATCHED THAT'S WHERE THIS GOOD WOMAN WENT. WHADDYETHINKOF THAT?



BROOKLYN PAYS \$25,000 FOR TINKER

Veteran Is to Get \$10,000 Bonus for Signing—Other Important Deals

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—President Charles Ebbetts of the Brooklyn club yesterday paid a record price for Joe Tinker, the deposed manager of the Cincinnati Reds, giving up \$25,000 for the infielder.

It goes down in the annals of baseball as a record price for a player. Of this amount, \$10,000 will be turned over to Tinker if he signs up to play with the Dodgers.

Dreyfus of the Cincinnati club, stipulated that \$10,000 of this amount would be turned over to Tinker as a bonus to assure his faith that he would play with the Brooklyn club.

After his release by the Reds, Tinker announced that he would not play with an eastern club. Notwithstanding this announcement, President Ebbetts entered the field of bidders for the great shortstop against Barney Dreyfus of the Pittsburgh Pirates, Muggsy McGraw of the New York Giants and Charley Murphy of the Chicago Cubs.

Tinker announced his preference of going back to the Cubs, the club on which he played for years and gained fame as well as helping it to win pennants.

The price paid for Tinker is a remarkable one and is sure to stand for years. Tink is a veteran player, having been in the game for 13 years, and his future as a star is regarded to be limited when the life of an average major league star is considered.

However, Tinker just passed through one of the most successful years of his baseball career, while managing the Cincinnati Reds. Though he managed a losing club, which usually affects the playing of a star, Tinker showed his mettle by hitting at a .325 clip, and he held in phenomenal form.

Another important change was the switch of Charley Herzog and Catcher Grover Hartman of the New York Giants to the Cincinnati Reds for Outfielder "Bob" Bescher.

The St. Louis club and the Pittsburgh Pirates entered into an important deal. Edward Konetchy, the crack first baseman of the Cardinals, along with Third Baseman H. H. Mowrey and Pitcher Bob Harmon were exchanged for First Baseman John Miller, Outfielder J. O. Wilson, Infielder Arthur Butler, Third Baseman Albert Dolan and Pitcher J. Robinson, all of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Stanford University, Dec. 12. Realizing that Stanford will have a hard time defeating California in the intercollegiate track meet next spring the cardinal veterans are being urged to pass their final examinations in order to be eligible to take part in the meet next semester. The week of final exams began this morning.

"Dad" Moulton, the veteran cardinal conditioner, states that Stanford will have a fighting chance if all the veterans can come through in the class rooms.

In the next meet Stanford will be minus the services of Rurle Templeton, star high jumper, hurdler and pole vaulter, who went to Australia with the American jump record of stars, and Don Dawson, who established a new coast broad jump record in the intercollegiate meet last spring.

Some local dopesters figure that but one or two points will decide the coming meet, provided Stanford athletes are not barred by scholarship.

GRIFFITH'S SUGGESTION

Clark Griffith, who has made time immemorial been a victim of baseball circumstances, has finally come to the conclusion that Washington is bound by fate never to win a pennant, for the old fox has set forth a new grievance and wishes to have the teams who finish second and third in the pennant race rewarded for their endeavors. Mr. Griffith believes that it would only be appropriate for the team which finishes second to receive \$10,000 for so doing, and that the third team in the race should be given \$5,000.

Palo Alto Rugger Start for South to Battle With Pomona

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Dec. 13. Eighteen Rugby football players of Palo Alto high school, accompanied by Coach C. S. Morris and J. C. Templeton, principal of the school, boarded the train for Pomona last night.

On Monday afternoon the Palo Alto and Pomona high school teams will battle for the intercollegiate championship of the state in the southern city. Pomona won the southern California championship by defeating the California School of Mechanical Arts of San Francisco by a score of 23 to 0 for the A. A. L. title. Oakland forfeited the northern intercollegiate championship to Palo Alto last Saturday.

Palo Alto dopesters are claiming that the college town players are without peer in the state. This season, the average scores being 18 to 23.

They held quite a powwow yesterday, the main performers consisting of the two fighters, Managers Harry Foley and Jim Buckley and the promoter. For several hours Coffroth listened to the frenzied arguments of the managers and the fighters and then he threw his hands skyward, although he announced that something might be accomplished at another session today.

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There is a possibility that something will be done when they come together again this afternoon. This meeting was suggested by the managers and not the promoter. Coffroth evidently was pretty well disgusted during the session yesterday, and he announced that if any other boxer wanted to give in to the terms of the fighters he could have the match.

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BOXERS' TERMS HOLD UP THE BIG MATCH

Ritchie and Murphy Hold a Frenzied Financial Conference With Coffroth

Willie Ritchie won't box Harlem Tommy Murphy unless Promoter Jim Coffroth guarantees him \$15,000 with a privilege of 25 per cent of the house, and Harlem Tommy won't box Willie unless he is sure of a straight 25 per cent guarantee. Promoter Coffroth won't listen to these propositions, so the great championship battle is away up in the air.

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HEREDITY

By L. W. NELSON

It happened at the baseball game. The score was close and tight, Sam Jones was rooting for his team with all his main and might. A close decision at the plate and Sammy's team had lost. And Jones said, in disgusted tone, "That umpire is a frost! His ancestors must have been crooks as bad as Jesse James. And that is why he's learned so well to give away the games! His father was a thief, I guess, and hung some time ago. And his granddad looked about while young for money-safes to blow! And even now I bet he's got some brothers in the 'pen,' Who helped themselves from other people's pockets now and then! With such a line of ancestry, one really could expect, That he'd become an umpire and lose all self respect!"

I let friend Sammy Jones complete his tirade on the "umps," Devoid of boosts but all replete with knocks and jabs and bumps. And then I said to Sammy, "Listen, Jonesy, if you please, This umpire's dad is missionary to the quaint Chinese; "And"—Sammy Jones was seen to grab his head and wildly lurch—"The ump himself is parson at the little corner church!"

SIX DAY RIDERS ROGERS AND LA GRAYE WILL BOX AGAIN

Six Teams Are Still Tied, With Two Close Up and Coming Strong

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Riding in a new combination as a result of pairing after team withdrawals early today, there were six leading in the six day bicycle race at 8 a. m. the 12th hour, tied with 2,481 miles and seven laps. The former record was 2,469 miles 9 laps. The leaders were: Goulet-Fogler, Verri-Brocce, Root-McNamara, Magin-Lawrence, Drobach-Halstead, and Hill and Ryan.

The Mitten-Thomas and Corry-Walker teams were only a lap behind the leaders. A lap behind them were Carman-Cameron and Breton-Packebusch. The retiring teams, necessitating new combinations, were: Perchicot-Breton, Applehaus-Packebusch, Clarke-Walthour, and Kopsky-Keefe.

When Breton and Packebusch joined forces, they were penalized a lap.

Three of the teams which have been leading received a serious setback early today at the start of the last day's racing, and the whole standing was considerably changed.

The upsets occurred shortly after 2 o'clock this morning, when Bobby Walthour of Georgia and Jackie Clarke, the speedy Australian, teamed up, each having lost his original partner.

Clarke's partner, Grenda, withdrew from the race because of sore knees, and Walthour's teammate, Collins, broke his collarbone in a fall late last night. At the expiration of the usual four hour limit Clarke and Walthour were allowed to combine.

The standing was upset by a sprint early this morning, during which some of the leaders were set back by penalties for faulty picking up. The official score at 4 o'clock was as follows:

Leaders—Goulet-Fogler, Brocco-Verri, Hill-Ryan, Root-McNamara, Magin-Lawrence and Drobach-Halstead, 2,410 miles flat.

Second division—Perchicot-Breton, Mitten-Thomas, Corry-Walker, 2,409 miles 5 laps.

Third division—Clarke-Walthour, Carman-Cameron, Applehaus-Packebusch, 2,409 miles 8 laps.

Kopsky-Keefe team, 2,361 miles 9 laps, officially declared out of the race at 4 o'clock.

"Take Care of Eyes," Advises Nap Lajoie

Napoleon Lajoie says that young baseball players pay too much attention to developing speed without giving a thought to what he considers the most important asset in an aspiring recruit. Lajoie says a perfect pair of eyes can do more to make a player successful than any other adjunct. Plenty of nerve, intelligence and strength enter into it, but the largest item is good eyesight.

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ATHLETIC CHATTER

By WILLIAM UNMACK

Norman E. Brookes, A. W. Dunlop and Anthony F. Wilding will form the Australian tennis team to recover the Davis cup from this country. Brookes and Dunlop left Australia last week for England, where they will participate in all the coming English tournaments to fit them for the task of "lifting" the cup from Maurice McLoughlin and his cohorts.

The loss of Jimmy Todd to the university of California track team will be the Olympic club's gain. Jimmy will run in the red and white of the Olympic club this spring, and will probably make his appearance during the indoor season as a club man. Jimmy is undoubtedly the best quarter miler on the coast today. He has still to run his best race, and he looks to be the logical lad to break McLaughlin's coast mark of 49.4-5.

Lloyd Patrick, a graduate of Nevada university this year, and well known as a member of the football team for the past three years, has been appointed state statistical agent of Nevada by the secretary of agriculture. "Pat" was one of the best men on the sagebrush rugby team.

The rumors of Dad Moulton's resignation as trainer at Stanford seem to be merely rumors. There is nothing substantial back of the rumors at all, and it is to be hoped that the popular "Dad" is not thinking of resigning. Dad has turned out some cracker jack teams for the cardinal, and it may that some other institution is anxious to secure his services.

If you want to be an amateur, be a good amateur. No halfway measures. The American power boat association believes in amateurism, and none of its affiliated members are allowed to accept any prizes other than trophies. Money prizes for motor boat racing under the A. P. B. rules are tabooed.

Yale has announced its baseball schedule as follows: April 9, Norfolk baseball club at Norfolk; 9, Penna at New Haven; 23, Cornell at Ithaca; 30, Princeton at New Haven; June 13, Princeton at Princeton; 16, Harvard at New Haven; 17, Harvard at Cambridge; 20, Harvard (in case of tie), at New York; 23, Princeton (in case of tie), at New York.

Should any of the clubs holding indoor meets within the next few months desire to stage indoor Pacific association championships, it is possible that the championship committee will allot such title events to the clubs so desiring to apply for them. A couple of indoor title events at each meet would add considerably to the interest in the event.

Nell Schmidt has accepted the challenge recently issued by Mrs. Myrtle Wright to race any woman. Now that the challenge has been accepted it is up to the principals to get together and arrange the date and place for the race.

The Y. M. C. A. athletic officials have requested the registration committee of the Pacific association to investigate the status of four athletes. The men are Harvey Morton and C. Maudlin, members of the Pasadena club; C. Theophilus and E. Heino, members of the Olympic club. The investigation is asked to determine if these men have violated any amateur laws.

Our old friend, Clint Evans, the University of California Rugby back field man of last year and seasons gone by, has been responsible for the good showing made by the Pomona high school football team in the south this season. Clint has been coaching the team in line with his duties as athletic director of the school and has turned out a cracking good one. Just how good Clint's boys are will be proved on Monday, when they stack up against Palo Alto high for the high school Rugby championship of the state.

The six day cycle pedals at New York have picked up on the world's record, and it now looks that when the race ends tonight that a new mark will be announced. The winged O men have done it. The management announced handsome extra money prizes if the record was broken, and the teams have responded. Thursday they were riding only three miles ahead of the record, and it looked as though they would lose out, but yesterday they got busy and at latest advice were nine miles to the good. They say money talks, but in this case it is "money quickens the pace."

The Olympic club football men will work out at the stadium tomorrow in preparation for the game with the southern city. The winged O men will leave for the south next Friday night and the game will be played Sunday, December 21, at Washington park.

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