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Is Manager Or Players More Necessary? Fans Perplexed

Question Is Being Widely Debated; From Many Instances in Plain Sight It Appears That Managers Are Making Teams Win or Lose, According to the Ability of the Man at the Helm.

BY FRANK G. MENKE

NEW YORK, June 5.—A question that perplexes fandom even more than "how aged was anatta" is the one, "is it the manager or the players that make for a winning ball team?"

Let's take the case of the Cincinnati Reds as one example to show that maybe it's the manager. The Reds last year looked and acted like the worst aggregation outside the graveyard. They looked even worse for the 1914 season because the Feds came along and grabbed off a pair of their best pitchers and tied another—Chief Johnson—in the courts. Further, more, they were minus the service of one Josephus Tinker, who batted .317 last year and led the shortstops of the league in fielding.

Charles Herzog, the peppery ex-manager of the Giants appeared at the helm this season. Everybody felt sorry for him. And what happened? Herzog, with even a weaker team than that of last year began showing his game along at a surprising clip right at the outset and has been keeping it up. He's been beating the leaders, just as easily as he has been beating the tailenders.

Naps Another Example. Then there's Joe Birmingham, of the Naps. Harry Davis as manager of the Naps, failed miserably during the first part of the 1912 season. Davis quit the job and Naps took it up. From that time on the team played 100 percent better baseball, and from the last of August until the curtain dropped they played the best ball in the American league. Yet it was the same outfit that couldn't win for Davis.

In 1913 under the same Birmingham Naps put up a thrilling fight for the pennant, being in the race until the last two weeks of the season. And now in 1914, with only one of their pitchers gone and with their shortstop injured, the Naps are playing about the worst ball in the league.

Hughie Jennings led the Tigers to three pennants in 1907, 1908 and 1909. Then the team seemed to crack. The Tigers had the same wonderful leader in 1910, 1911, 1912 and 1913 that they had in their pennant winning days, but

they couldn't hit a winning stride. They must have inglorious finishes in those four years.

And now Jennings is back in this year 1914 A. D. with a team that does not look very much better than that of last year—and he's got a fine chance for the pennant.

See What Hickey's Done. The St. Louis Browns have been a joke ball team for many years. As in the case of Charlie Herzog of the Reds, a lot of people felt pretty sorry for Branch Hickey when he took over the job of handling the outfit. Hickey got under way with a team that looked weaker than the last place outfit of 1912, and Hickey's team has proved to be one of the big surprises in the American league. It's playing real baseball. It's playing in real style or in real finicky. The games the Browns have won are because they have shown superior ability.

The Brooklyn Dodgers looked to have a better team than last year. And when Wilbert Robinson hooked up with them as manager, many figured that the Dodgers would get away in the front and stick around with the select all the way down the stretch. Robinson has been with McGraw for many years. He was McGraw's understudy, and many figured that he was almost as much responsible for the success of the Giants successful leadership as McGraw himself. But under Robinson the Dodgers do not seem to be accomplishing any more than they did under Dahlen, who never was figured as any great shucks as a manager.

McGraw Great Manager. Going back about a dozen years one finds that the New York Giants need to try to see how far down they could get in the race without actually falling through the bottom of the league. And when a manager like McGraw, who has kept his men in the fight each year, and who, on five separate distinct occasions, has lifted his men so high that it gave the American league champions a chance to come along and club them, on the coco in the world series contests.

BASEBALL RESULTS

Standing of Clubs and Schedules of Games

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDINGS. Philadelphia, 25; Detroit, 24; Boston, 23; Chicago, 22; New York, 21; Cleveland, 20.

Where They Play Saturday. Philadelphia at St. Louis; St. Louis at Philadelphia; Philadelphia at Detroit.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS. New York, 22; Cincinnati, 21; Pittsburgh, 20; St. Louis, 19; Philadelphia, 18; Boston, 17.

Where They Play Saturday. Cincinnati at Brooklyn; Chicago at Philadelphia; Pittsburgh at Philadelphia; St. Louis at New York.

FEDERAL LEAGUE STANDINGS. Baltimore, 22; Chicago, 21; Brooklyn, 20; Indianapolis, 19; Pittsburgh, 18; Kansas City, 17.

Where They Play Saturday. St. Louis at Kansas City; Baltimore at Pittsburgh; Buffalo at Brooklyn.

TEXAS LEAGUE STANDINGS. Waco, 22; Beaumont, 21; Galveston, 20; Fort Worth, 19; Houston, 18; Dallas, 17; San Antonio, 16.

Where They Play Saturday. Austin at San Antonio; Dallas at Galveston; Fort Worth at Houston.

WESTERN LEAGUE STANDINGS. Sioux City, 22; Denver, 21; St. Joseph, 20; Lincoln, 19; Omaha, 18; Wichita, 17; Topeka, 16.

Where They Play Saturday. Omaha at Denver; St. Joseph at Topeka; Des Moines at Wichita; Lincoln at Sioux City.

COAST LEAGUE STANDINGS. San Francisco, 22; Venice, 21; Sacramento, 20; Portland, 19; Oakland, 18.

Where They Play Saturday. Sacramento at Oakland; San Francisco at Venice.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION STANDINGS. Indianapolis, 22; Milwaukee, 21; Louisville, 20; Kansas City, 19; Cleveland, 18; Minneapolis, 17; St. Paul, 16.

Where They Play Saturday. Indianapolis at Columbus; Louisville at Minneapolis; Kansas City at St. Paul.

AMERICAN LEAGUE. Thursday's Games. At Chicago, Cleveland, 8; Boston, 7; St. Louis, 6; Philadelphia, 5; Detroit, 4; Philadelphia, 3; Boston, 2; Chicago, 1; Cleveland, 0.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. Thursday's Games. At St. Louis, Philadelphia, 2; Boston, 1; Cincinnati, 0; Pittsburgh, 0; St. Louis, 0.

FEDERAL LEAGUE. Thursday's Games. At Kansas City, Chicago, 2; St. Louis, 1; Philadelphia, 0; Baltimore, 0; Kansas City, 0.

TEXAS LEAGUE. Thursday's Games. At Beaumont, Houston, 2; Galveston, 1; Fort Worth, 0; San Antonio, 0; Dallas, 0; Waco, 0.

WESTERN LEAGUE. Thursday's Games. At Denver, Denver, 2; St. Joseph, 1; Lincoln, 0; Omaha, 0; Wichita, 0; Topeka, 0.

COAST LEAGUE. Thursday's Games. At San Francisco, San Francisco, 2; Venice, 1; Sacramento, 0; Portland, 0; Oakland, 0.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. Thursday's Games. At Milwaukee, Milwaukee, 2; Minneapolis, 1; St. Paul, 0; Louisville, 0; Kansas City, 0.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE. Thursday's Games. At Nashville, Nashville, 2; Chattanooga, 1; Memphis, 0; Louisville, 0; Knoxville, 0.

Concentrators Are Hammering Again Have Strong Pennant Foundation

BY ERNEST G. COAN

HULLY, N. M., June 5.—Manager Phillips of the Indians now has Storkie, O'Connell, and Burson for the box work. A pitching staff of great ability and as fast a squad as is to be found in the league.

Clark turned in a beauty at the expense of Dick in the eighth when he made a long run into right and pulled the ball out of the glove which had the appearance of being hooked for a three run homer.

The old wrecker crew of the Concentrators lived up to their reputation the past week and Sorenson began hitting their last season's form with the wildest.

He is not only an Irishman by birth but in the "pepper ball" of the Concentrators. For the reason that he infuses life and go into the team. He uses great headwork in one of the fastest thinkers on the club and is in the game every minute.

Big Kellogg showed much improvement in his work in the box during his term in the last series. We look for some great work with his last week in the series with the Diggers.

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McGraw Lost Fine Player in Herzog He's Now Doing Wonders With Reds. T. LOUIS, Mo., June 5.—John J. McGraw pulls a John Anderson or Herbie Lewis off the market, the world would be a different place. McGraw's mistakes made by the Giants' leader have been few. In one fatal instance, however, he has let Herzog go.

Who says the baseball club owner will not take a chance? Pipe the way they go back to the bench for rain, when a "pepper ball" comes on the scene, even though the law of averages shows that high priced players in the minors had about 400 average in the success league, when they move up to the majors, they average about 200.

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Herzog has the spark. In accomplishing this much Herzog has had to overcome the opposition of the "pepper ball" to suffer the loss of a good pitcher and an experienced catcher (John and Herbie) and develop some unknown time. To do this it took not only energy and imagination, but also the ability to arouse enthusiasm.

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THREE CYCLE RACES PLANNED AT PHOENIX. Phoenix, Ariz., June 5.—Plans for two races and one sociability run were formed, and officers for the ensuing half year elected at a meeting of the Phoenix Motorcycle club. Craig Pottinger is president, succeeding J. S. McIlwain. Ernest Fogel was made vice president; Ben Ruderer, secretary; Clyde Blaine, treasurer; Frank Selner, captain; Lorenzo Boldo, first lieutenant; and Joseph Glander, second lieutenant. Joe Glander and I. G. Smith, directors. The competition committee, which will make arrangements for the race to precede in July, the run to the Grand Canyon in November and the race from Los Angeles in November, is composed of Frank Selner, Lyle Abbott, Ben Ruderer, Herbert Worcester and Tom Imler.

BREWER AND FOWSER SIGN FOR 15 ROUND BATTLE. Leadville, Colo., June 5.—Harry Brewer, the clever Kansas City boxer, and Frankie Fowser, welterweight champion of the southwest, have been signed for a 15 round bout to be staged June 11 by the promoter of the Leadville A. C.

Brewer is considered one of the hardest hitting welterweights in the business, while Fowser who has been fighting in Colorado for some time, is popular because of his clean tactics, while in the ring, and his aggressive style of piling.

Maso Del Norte Hotel Business Men's Lunch. In grill at 11:30 a. m. to 2 p. m.—50c. (Advertisement.)

CHAPPELL MAY SOON RETURN TO PLAYING. Chicago, Ill., June 5.—It will be another month at least before Larry Chappell, the crippled White Sox outfielder, can get back into harness. For the last several days Chappell has been watching the games from the bench in citizens' clothes, instead of uniform.

RITCHIE IS GUARANTEED \$12,000 FOR JULY MATCH. San Francisco, Calif., June 5.—After a conference with Louis Parent, his manager, Eddie Grady, promoter of the Bay City A. C., announced that he would guarantee Willie Ritchie a sum of \$12,000 to meet either Freddie Walsh or Charlie White in San Francisco during the early part of next month.

ALLEN DEFEATS PRATT IN SECOND BLOCK OF BILLIARDS. Kansas City, Mo., June 5.—Dennis Allen, the best billiard player in San Francisco in the second block of the city, defeated the world's champion at pocket billiards here today. The score was 29 to 19. Allen, who is the holder, made a high run of 71.

Allen also claims a new high run record as the result of last night's play in which he pocketed 200 balls in 23 innings.

CROSS WANTS RITCHIE TO FIGHT ON JULY 4. San Francisco, Calif., June 5.—Joseph Cross, the western wrestling champion, is trying to secure the July 4 date with Willie Ritchie, now that the Illinois wrestling champion has been offered off by James W. Coffroth and Eddie Grady, local promoters, have both received word from the eastern promoter, stating that he would make almost any kind of terms to get a chance at the championship. Ritchie won a ten round popular decision over Cross in New York several months ago.

ZBYSEK AND AMERICA WHISTLE TO A DRAW. Baltimore, Md., June 5.—The wrestling match between Zbysek and America, which was declared a draw after the men had contested for 33 minutes and 40 seconds, American fell off the stage and injured his back and an ankle.

WESTERN LEAGUE SIGNS UMPIRE. Chicago, Ill., June 5.—President O'Neill of the Western league announced that he had signed umpire Fife to his staff. Fife will start at Sioux City today. He officiated in the Federal league last season.

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