

# "Old Fox" Griffiths Drives His Players With Verbal Fireworks

Clark Griffith, the "old fox" leader of the Washington team, is a type of manager unlike any other. In spite of the fact that most of the prophets have decided that Griff's chance for a pennant with his present team is growing more and more dim, he may fool them and bring back a club that appears to be fading away without achieving a championship.

He first showed up in baseball twenty-three years ago, a little, dark-skinned fellow with big eyes who seemed too small to be a real pitcher.

He had been taught the art of pitching by "Boss" Radbourne, one of the greatest of the veterans. He went to Milwaukee, back to Chicago, was sent to Portland, and after a great season there came back to Chicago, where for years he was recognized as the headest, wisest of them all.

He was the leader of the players' union in 1897, and in 1900 jumped to Comiskey's new Chicago team, the White Sox, to manage it.

Then he took the New York Highlanders, came within one game of a pennant and faded away. Cincinnati tried him and he failed and went to Washington. There he became part owner.

As a manager Griff has but one fault. His memory is too long. If a player makes a blunder on April 27 Griff will remember it and throw it up to the player in October. The strain of managing appears to have rasped his nerves. His hair turned gray in one season at Cincinnati, and he holds the record of taking 23 drinks of water in four minutes in a crisis of a game.

Griff has another failing, which is nagging at umpires; a relic of his old playing days.

He has one great ambition; desire to win a pennant for Washington; and one great passion—loyalty to his old friends.

Outside of baseball Griff is one of the most popular of the men of the game, quick witted, clever in repartee and appreciative.



CHARACTER SKETCHES OF GRIFFITH.

# CITY LEAGUE IS UNDER WAY

Tacoma will see some mighty good semi-professional baseball this season.

The semi-pros met last night in room 301, Tacoma building, organized a league for 1915, adopted rules, officers, and a schedule. The lads went to work with a vim, and their league is to be no laughing matter. It will be managed on strictest business rules, with contracts and laws equally as iron-clad as those of the big leagues.

Six clubs—The Olympic Club, Brewers, Milwaukee, Federals, South Tacoma Tigers and Oaklanders—comprise the league. James W. Corcoran (known as "Jimmie" Corcoran to all amateur baseball enthusiasts) was elected president of the league, and his position as manager of the Brewers was filled by the election of "Heinie" Johnson. The winner of the season will have the title of city champions.

# LISTER WILL VETO BOXING

There's deep gloom today in sportdom. The boxing commission bill, over which enthusiastic hopes have been expressed for more than a month, is doomed.

Governor Lister, apparently acting in vindication over the passage of the McArdle bills over his veto, sent a brief letter to Senator Wray to the effect that he would veto the boxing commission bill if that measure reached him.

Since the majority of votes for the boxing bill was so small in

the senate, there is practically no possibility of passing the bill over the governor's veto.

Sporting men are "sore" at the governor today. He had given them every reason to believe, they say, that he favored the boxing bill. His summary action yesterday afternoon was entirely unexpected.

Does that 21-player limit for National league clubs bar an owner from buying a kennel of bird dogs for trading purposes?

We are wondering whether Joe Cantillon and Rog Bresnahan insisted upon having those dogs for which they traded ball players, sign ten-day clause contracts.

Just why any baseball manager (or any other business man) wants an employe who isn't a willing worker is one of life's mysteries. We'd rather have a contented Class B busher.

The Buffalo Feds are rejoicing because Ray Caldwell jumped back to the Yanks; if they'd throw in Hal Chase they'd make a lot more trouble for the American league.

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# DOZENS OF RECRUITS WILL GO WITH M'GRAW TO TRAINING CAMP

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Alleged phenoms by the score are drifting into Muggay McGraw's office this week, and Johnny is giving them the once over before he takes his mob of recruits and regulars to Marin Springs next Thursday.

McGraw is abiding by the league rule that training is not to begin until March 1, and will start the main bunch southward on

February 25, landing them in Marlin's tall grass three days later.

Kinsella has been ploughed through the woods, looking up trees for recruits ever since last July, and he thinks he has a lot of phenoms. There are twenty pitchers, twelve infielders and seven possible outfielders in the bunch likely to stand the preliminary weeding out.

# BIG SMOKE APPROACHES

EL PASO, Feb. 19.—Jack Johnson, colored pugilist, is on his way along the last lap of his journey to Juarez. He landed safely at Tampico yesterday, and is now traveling by the Mexican railway to Torreon, from whence he will move to Juarez. He is expected to arrive at the scene of his match with Jess Willard March 6, on Sunday.

# JOHN POWERS, EASTERN MAGNATE, BUYS LOS ANGELES BALL CLUB

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 19.—Johnny Powers is with the Angels now; but wait—

He's still in this mundane sphere, is Johnny, his Angelic connections resting only on his recent acquisition of the Los Angeles Coast league club for a consideration of some \$300,000, one of the biggest baseball deals of the year in the west.

The controlling interest in the club was turned over to the Chicago sportsman by Tom Darmody, Henry Berry, now owner of the San Francisco Seals, and by "Boots" Weber, representing Tom Stephens. Darmody retains the minority stock and remains active manager of the club.

"I have long wanted to get back into baseball," said John F. Powers, former owner of the Danville franchise in the Three-I league, "and I believe the Pacific Coast league to have a wonderful future."

"I believe Mr. Darmody is a brainy baseball man, and I know he is popular with the public. He will run the club to suit himself."

Henry Berry, in commenting on the deal, said:

"Powers' arrival will be a big boost for Coast baseball. He has the good of the game at heart, and will work hand in hand with Darmody to give this city a high class club."

Powers, who was raised in Chicago and who is 34 years old, has for some years been a resident of



John F. Powers

Los Angeles. He is reputed wealthy, and all his life has been interested in baseball.

# LINCOLN PARK CITY CHAMPION

Lincoln Park High school's fast basket-ball aggregation cleaned up the Cushman team last night in a hard-fought game, 13 to 12, and as a result is claiming the title of "city champions" today. A large audience watched the game. The champion team is composed of Parker and Brothers, forwards; Magnusson, center; Holmes and Oliver, guards.



Alas, poor Ping, we knew him well, a fellow of infinite chest. He was a good fellow, even if he couldn't play much ball, and we'll miss him more than we would many a star.

The Chicago White Sox may win a few more games, but they'll lose columns of free ads now that Ping has gone back to bust fences on the coast.

Christy Mathewson writes that the team, not the individual star, draws crowds; and we'd like to compare his article with what he told McGraw the last time he wanted a salary raise.

We wouldn't advise either the Feds or Organized baseball to send any season passes to Judge Landis until this thing is over.

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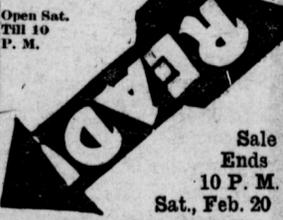
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