

KETCHEL TAKES ON JOHNSON

WILLING TO MEET BLACK CHAMPION, BUT BARS ALL OTHER BLACK PUGS UNTIL THEY GET TO TOP.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Jan. 6.—Ketchel announces in a signed statement today that he is willing to fight Jack Johnson, colored heavyweight champion of the world, but bars all other negroes.

"The fact that I am willing to fight Johnson is proof I am not afraid of Langford," he says. "Langford must whip fighters I have defeated before I will fight him."

CLARKE CRIFFITH'S BRAINS WERE ALWAYS IN EVIDENCE

Clark Griffith, the new manager of the Reds, was considered one of the best pitchers in the business in his time. Besides being a successful twirler, Griffith was one of the wisest men that ever stepped in a box.

"Griff" was not blessed with the natural qualifications of the successful twirler; that is, speed and a strong physique, and had to resort to strategy to get results.

The "old fox" was a great student of the game, and this, combined with his ability to mix them up and good control, always made him a dangerous foe.

Always on the lookout for a chance to slip one over on the opposition, or anything that might make his none too easy task lighter, "Griff" immediately took advantage of the rule which was passed some years ago, allowing the pitcher but the small rubber to stand on when getting ready to deliver the ball.

The rule says the twirler must stand with both feet on the rubber, or with one foot on it, and the other ahead, or toward the batter, when in the act of delivering the ball. Most box artists interpreted the rule to read that they must stand so that the ball of the foot is on the rubber; but not so with "Griff."

He used to stand with his heel against the front end of the pitcher's plate, and then, just as he was ready to pitch, would slide up a foot or so, and in this manner he was able to steal that much of the distance to the plate on the batter.

Where a pitcher is throwing on

NOTED BASKETBALL PLAYERS COMING

The Los Angeles basketball five which is touring the west proceeding a trip to the Orient, will reach Spokane Sunday, and Monday night will stack up against the S. A. C. five, and Gonzaga Tuesday night. The southern team has 22 consecutive victories to its credit. Manager Hahn is in town arranging games. He will go to Pullman and Moscow and arrange games with the state college and University of Idaho teams. The team will go as far east as Colorado.

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an average of 150 balls in a game, it can be seen that this was something of an advantage. If the opposition was not watching him every minute "Griff" was liable to be anywhere from one foot to three or four closer to the plate.

"Griff" was foxy enough to cover this up, too, when the inning was over. Naturally, when stealing a few feet this way he would dig a hole in the ground around the rubber, which could be readily seen by the opposing twirler, so after the third man had been retired "Griff" used to stand in the box and in a rather abstracted way scratch around the ground he had dug up with his spikes, making it smooth and even, and in this way cover up his work.

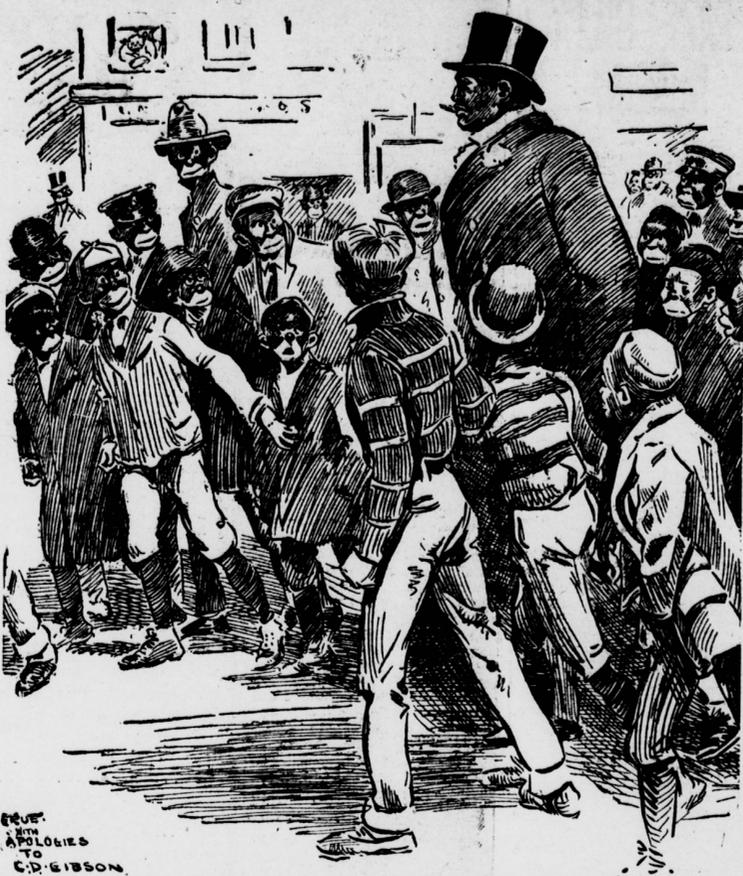
The "Old Boy" got away with this for a good many years, and even though the umpires would make him stop it for an inning or two he would be right back doing the same thing again, if not watched closely.

Clark's fingers were short, and this made it hard for him to get a good, firm grip on the ball, especially when pitching a curve.

In order to roughen the ball so that he could get a firm hold of the sphere he used to hit the ball against the spikes on the heel of his shoes.

This would nick the ball and roughen it to the extent of allowing him to get a good grip on the ball. Any time an umpire would call him for doing this, "Griff" would just say: "I am trying to get the dirt out of my spikes," and keep right on until he had the ball in such shape that he could handle it.

"THE CHAMPION"



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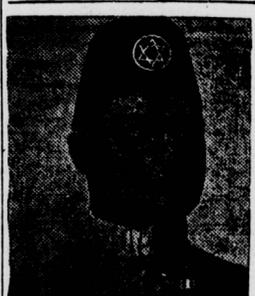
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BY
ADDIE JOSS

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"When I was playing with Oakland in the Pacific coast league, we went to Seattle for a series near the close of the season. The weather had suddenly turned cold and we nearly froze to death the first two days. The umpire kept us at it, however, for the full nine innings in both games, although there weren't over 75 people in the stands at any time.

"The third day was the worst of all. I don't suppose the temperature was really below 45, but that is mighty cold for Washington in October. We got a run in the first and the score was still 1 to 0 in the fifth. We were leading Seattle in the race and wanted the game. So we begged the umpire to call the game. He wouldn't listen to us. Our captain argued and even threatened, but the arbitrator's only answer was 'play ball.'

"As we took the field in the sixth, I heard the umpire say to Seattle's captain, 'I won't call this game for anything short of a snow storm.'

"When the half was over I hot-footed it to our dressing room, where I remembered there was a mail package for me, all wrapped up in white tissue paper. I got busy with that paper, woke up the groundskeeper, pointed to a ladder in the corner, gave some hurried directions and then went to the bench.

"A high wind was blowing over the grand stand, the roof of which sloped down toward the water. One Seattle batter had been retired in the seventh and another had reached first, when our captain suddenly rushed up, seized the umpire by the arm and shouted:

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