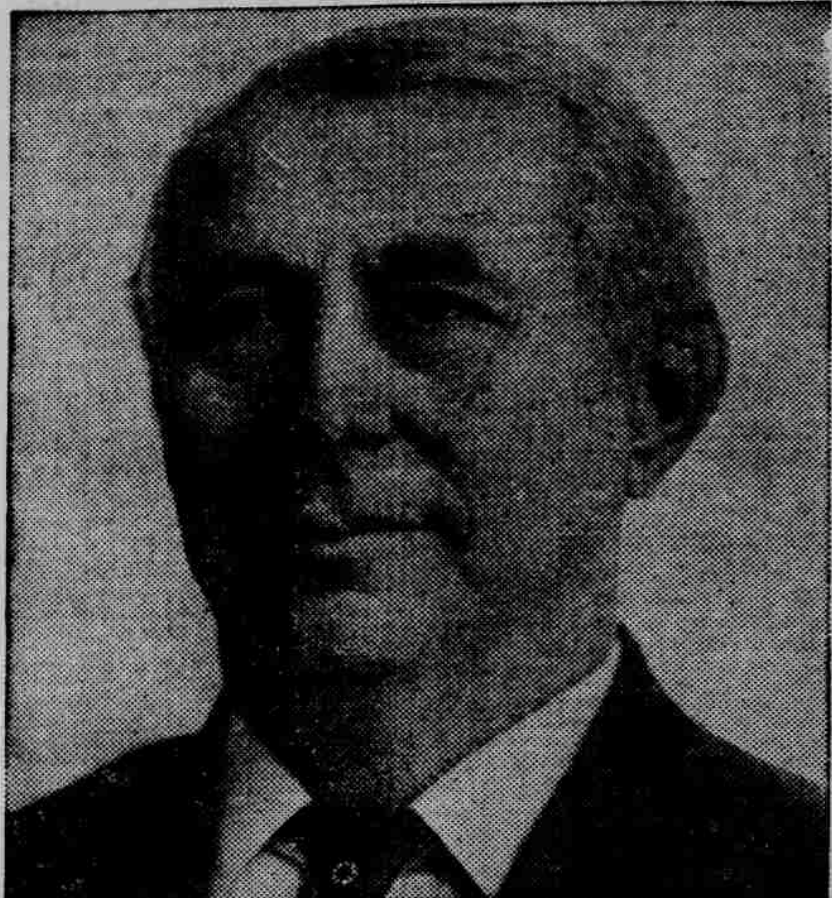


A VETERAN DRUGGIST TELLS FACTS ABOUT PERUNA.



Mr. L. A. Richardson, Marine, Illinois, writes: "I have been engaged in the retail drug business here for the past forty years. During this time I have seen many patent medicines come into use, flourish for one or two years and then gradually disappear. There are very few of these remedies that possess enough real merit to insure them long life.

JAKE'S JUNK.

With the characteristic gall of Pa Bourke, the sport writers of the Omaha Bee and World-Herald, discuss Western League affairs and point out that the "smaller" towns of the circuit oppose the proposition to adopt a daily guarantee of \$125 for this season, no matter what the gate receipts amount to.

The \$125 per day plan also is opposed by a majority of the club owners of the circuit for the reason that they believe the plan was not suggested in good faith; because they are convinced by club owners who have entered a campaign of rule or rule and would be almost willing to endanger the life of the circuit when they realize that they are no longer in control of the circuit. More than that, Hugh Jones, of Lincoln, is said to be sure that Holland and Bourke do not favor the guarantee but believes they have been talking merely to gain notoriety.

The constitution and bylaws of the Western League positively forbid any alteration in the division of gate receipts unless with the unanimous consent of the eight clubs. It is a certainty that Holland and Bourke get nothing when the unanimous vote is required. McGill has gone east to attend the big meeting which is being held in New York. Before leaving he gave his proxy to Hugh Jones and is reported to have instructed the Lincoln manager to vote "no" on any proposal offered by Holland or Bourke. The figures show that the Denver club would profit most from a \$125 guarantee but McGill is intent upon being against the scheme for two reasons: He realizes that such a rule would be disastrous to some of the weaker clubs, and he has so little respect for the opinion of the two czars that he will cast aside personal consideration to throw the hooks into their plans.

The Denver News gives out the information that Jimmie McGill, of the Denver club, will start out after a world's record—that of winning four

pennants in a row. The following is from the Denver sheet which quotes McGill: "I feel confident that with any kind of luck in securing pitchers Denver will establish a world's record by winning four pennants in succession, something that has never been done in the history of organized baseball."

Of course the whole statement hinges upon that clause "with any kind of luck in securing pitchers" and of what will be those who will win the pennant? The fact is that McGill actually wants another championship team when he has already had three in a row. But the bare fact is that McGill made that statement in 1911, made it in 1912, made it in 1913, each time with more people scoffing and each time he had the last laugh.

For our own part we are ready to accept it as proof positive that Denver will again be represented by a wall-popper, fast baseball nine, and we are ready to have our friends around the circuit copy. That isn't all that McGill has to say. He doesn't make the flat statement and let it go at that. Instead he gives reasons for his belief which are best set forth exactly as he writes them. He opens as follows: "I want to impress one thing on your mind and that is I sure have my hands full with two ball clubs. I have been on the jump every minute and I feel sure that I can make a success out of both of them if my health will only hold up."

"As you no doubt know, we have appointed Coffey as manager of the Denver club for this year, and in making this selection I believe we have picked the logical man for the position. "I gave this thing considerable thought before I came to any decision, and before appointing him I practically signed up the whole ball club with the exception of the pitchers. "We have at the present time signed Spahr, Block, Fisher, Anderson, French, Coffey, Faye, Butcher and Schreiber, and that is more contracts and a better ball club than we have ever had on the first day of February since I have been in baseball. "French, whom I have seen in the past two weeks, assures me that his leg is all right and he will be back in his old position again."

**POCKET BILLIARDS.** Goshorn Defeated Slusser in Final Block for 600 Balls. R. E. Goshorn defeated S. D. Slusser in the final block of the pocket billiard contest Tuesday at the Tromp Smoke House by the score of 100 to 80, thus winning the contest. The final score was 600 to 480. Another match may be arranged.

**Outmet to England.** Boston, Feb. 11.—Francis Outmet, the American open golf champion, has arranged to sail on April 14 for England, where he will play in the amateur and open championships this spring. He will be accompanied by Arthur S. Lockwood, formerly of Westport, Super Meru, England, who has been in this country twelve years and is ranked among the leading amateurs here.

EVERS RELEASED

C. W. Murphy of Chicago Nationals Deposes Manager.

Report of the Event Demoralizes Baseball Meeting.

HANK O'DAY TAKES HIS PLACE

National Commission to Consider Murphy's Action.

Federals Make Overtures—Won't Play With Chicago.

New York, Feb. 11.—The disposal of Johnny Evers as manager of the Chicago Nationals by C. W. Murphy, owner of the club, has sidetracked the important consideration that has brought so many baseball men to the city, the menace of the Federal League. The national commission members—Ban Johnson, August Herrmann and John K. Tener—were apparently so much perturbed at the news coming as it does, at so critical a time in baseball affairs, that they met and informally discussed the matter late last night. No public statement was made after the meeting but it is known Evers will go before the commission in the next day or two with his contracts.

Governor Tener, president of the National League, said he would study the contract held by Evers and that the player-manager would get justice. President Murphy of the Chicago club, said that he had nothing to add to his statement given out in Chicago concerning his disposal of Evers and signing of Hank O'Day, one time manager of the Cincinnati club, to take Evers' place. The mission of President Gilmore and his associates at the National League today remained as much of a mystery as when they left Chicago on Monday. President Gilmore says it is a pleasure trip. The Federal League are keeping to themselves and meanwhile the ruling officers of the major league are planning a campaign to prevent invasion of their territory by the new organization.

**American League Schedule.** The American League officers met today to adopt a playing schedule for 1914. The opening dates will probably coincide very nearly with those announced yesterday by the National League, which call for initial contests on April 14, with the closing of the season on October 7.

**Dismissal a Great Surprise.** Chicago, Feb. 11.—The discharge of Johnny Evers yesterday as manager of the Chicago National League team and the appointment of Henry O'Day to succeed him, while almost as great a surprise as the dismissal of Frank Chance in 1912, had been planned for some time. This became known today when baseball writers recalled an interview with President C. Murphy last week in which Evers was criticised. The interview was not published, although Murphy still had a grievance against Evers because he thought him personally responsible for the loss of the city series last fall, none expected that Evers was to be dismissed. Last Friday Murphy asserted Evers' bad judgment had enabled the White Sox to defeat the Cubs in the series of 1913.

It is known by those who were in touch with Cub affairs last season that Murphy had several controversies with Evers and it was believed that only the success of the Cubs for the last six weeks or two months of the season prevented the discharge of Evers at the end or even before the season was over. Evers was confident to some of his friends that he was manager in name only because he dared make no move of any consequence without the sanction of Murphy.

During the fall Evers lived in Chicago and gave most of his time to the Cubs. Then the Federal League became active in December and was successful in signing Vaughn, Leach, Phelan, Pierce and perhaps two or three others. While he was on trips, O'Day the new manager was employed by Murphy to go to Chattanooga to sign Johnny Johnstone, the young outfielder. Two of his former teammates who now manage Federal League teams, Joe Tinker, of Chicago, and Mordecai Brown, of Louisville, bid for Evers if he becomes a free agent.

Brown already has made him an offer. Evers had expressed a desire to play again in December and was successful in a message from Charles Weegman, owner of the Chicago Federals, who is in New York with President J. A. Gilmore to hold himself in readiness to start east today. Should it be found that Evers' contract has been violated these three will be on the ground to negotiate with the deposed manager.

**Evers in Interview.** New York, Feb. 11.—"I will never play for Murphy again under any conditions," John J. Evers, deposed manager of the Chicago National League team, declared when the news that he had been dropped as manager was announced at the uptown hotel where the National League's scheduled meeting was in progress. "I have been approached by the Federals and have held conferences with some of them, but I would rather be with the 'old boys,'" he added. "This was accepted by everyone as a reference to Frank Chance and immediately there were rumors of Evers coming over to the New York Americans, who are much in need of a second baseman. Eddie Zeider, groomed by Chance for that position, having deserted to the Federals. The Chicago club's announcement of its change of management came as a startling close to a day devoted chiefly to speculation as to what the National League club owners would do in reference to the invasion of organized baseball by the Federals and toward the other developments of the meeting into the shadow. Before any announcement regarding the change reached the league's temporary headquarters from Chicago, the big crowd of expectant followers of the game, who thronged the corridors of the hotel, was thrown into a mild panic when Evers was announced he was through as manager of the Chicago Nationals. At first the statement was taken as a "joke" but when Evers continued to tell of his many ills with President Murphy since the Chicago city series last year, it dawned on those who heard him that a serious and unexpected break had occurred. Evers was bitter in his comment on

the happenings that led up to his deposition. He said that immediately after the city series last fall between the Chicago Americans and Nationals had been won by the former, Murphy found fault with him for being in the company of Jimmy Callahan. "Why do you go around with the opposition?" Murphy asked, Evers declared. "You've lost \$50,000 for me by losing the series."

"I replied by asking him how much did he think I made for him in 1909 when Merkle forgot to touch second? When he said 'probably \$200,000,' I said, 'well, there's more than even up.' "December 27 you got around with the opposition?" Murphy asked, Evers declared. "You've lost \$50,000 for me by losing the series."

The terms of Evers' contract with the club as manager and player could not be ascertained, but Evers had a brief talk with Governor Tener and the new president of the National League. "Do not act hastily. I have not seen your contract, but I assure you, you can depend upon justice being done you when I take up this matter."

**Mordecai Brown Wants Evers.** St. Louis, Feb. 11.—"I expect Johnny Evers to be the second baseman of the 1914 St. Louis Federal League team. I have wired him an offer I will touch." This statement was issued here tonight by Mordecai Brown, manager of the local Federal club.

**Chance Not Interested.** Los Angeles, Feb. 11.—"I'm not in the least interested in the doings of Murphy and I have nothing to say about this report of his latest move," Frank Chance, former manager of the Chicago Nationals and present leader of the New York Americans, declared when questioned by Mordecai Brown, manager of the local Federal club. Chance, who succeeded as manager of the Chicago club by Evers, would not discuss the subject further.

**Commission Calls Evers.** New York, Feb. 11.—The National League baseball commission will meet in conference here late last night. No announcement was made as to what was being discussed, but it was learned at midnight that the committee had ordered Johnny Evers to appear before it with a copy of his contracts with the Chicago National League club. Evers earlier had been deposed as manager of the Cubs.

**RECEIVED BY POPE.** Comiskey Accompanies Athletes to Vatican for Apostolic Benediction.

Rome, Feb. 11.—Charles A. Comiskey, president of the Chicago club of the American baseball team, was well enough today to go with the members of the American baseball team to the Vatican where the party was received by the pope. Dr. John Edward Jones, a doctor at Genoa, who has attended Mr. Comiskey during his illness accompanied the party, which comprised seventy people. American visitors were introduced to his holiness by Monsignor Chas. A. O'Hern, vice rector of the American college in Rome who explained the national interest taken in baseball in the United States.

The pope greeted the visitors with great cordiality. He thanked them for their visit and in a short address praised the practice of athletic sports for the strengthening of the body and at the same time the practice of religion to strengthen the soul. He then imparted to all the apostolic benediction. The members of the team were then photographed in the court of San Damaso. Cardinal Merry Del Val, papal secretary of state afterward received the visitors. No game was played today owing to bad weather. Immediately after the session at the Vatican Mr. Comiskey went with Dr. Jones and Professor Giuseppe Bastianelli to a medical institute where he was examined by Professor Ulderico de Luca with the aid of the X-ray.

**FEAR BASEBALL.** Italian Authorities Won't Permit Play, Fearing Roughness.

Rome, Feb. 11.—The unfriendliness of Italian baseball authorities frustrated Tuesday by the refusal of the authorities to permit an exhibition game between the New York team of the American League and the Chicago team of the American League, without first being convinced that it is not a "brutal game." After the points of the game were explained the authorities still insisted that a net be erected within the stadium to protect the spectators. Even when promises were given that this precaution would be taken, permission was withheld until today at noon when a few innings will be played for the benefit of the authorities who wish to judge for themselves in a manner of game the American national pastime is. Arrangements have been made for an audience with the pope today, but on account of the action of the authorities, some of the players will have to forego this honor. A regular game at the stadium is on the program for this afternoon.

**They Want a Woman Chief.** Pittsburgh, Feb. 11.—Local club women, who succeeded in having four women police provided for Pittsburgh, today took up with council the question of giving them a woman chief. Opinion is divided as to whether the

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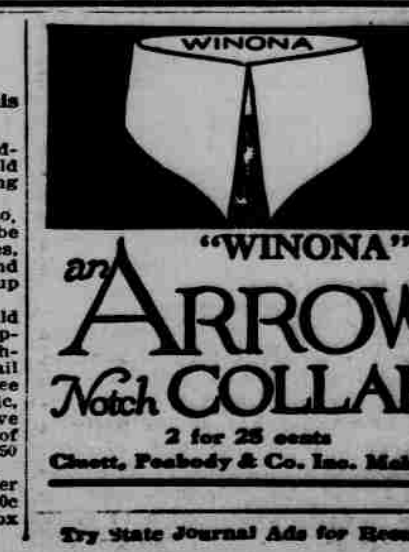
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