

ON THE SIDELINES

by ERIAN BELL

American league baseball players like the confidence of Wesley Ferrell of the Cleveland Indians as well as they like his pitching. There are many stories. One of them tells how the ninth inning came last season with the score tied, two out and a man on second in Cleveland's "Wait a minute," said Manager Peckinpaugh as Ferrell reached for a ball.

"I guess I'll let Falk hit for you. He's been hitting 500 in the pinches."

"But," rejoined Ferrell, "suppose he doesn't hit. Who is going to replace me in the box?"

"Well, what would you do in my place?" asked Peck.

"I'd let myself stay in," said Wes. The manager hesitated but he liked the confidence, so he left Ferrell. The pitcher, who is a first class hitter, drove the run home and the game was over.

Ferrell is well paid for his efforts. He has always had good talking points when the matter of salary came up. In his first year out, he won 20 games for Terre Haute. In his first season as a major leaguer he won 21 and last year turned in 25 victories.

His salary the first year was \$3,000 and at its close Cleveland sent him a contract for \$9,000, but Ferrell demanded and received an increase.

Billy Evans tried to dissuade him.

"There is a second year jinx with major league pitchers who start out with a big first year," said the business manager.

"Hermon Pillette started out great and flivvered his second year. So did Hudlin and many others."

"The Pillette and the Hudlins may fall down their second year but not the Tribe of Ferrell," said the youngster.

This winter Ferrell demanded another big raise.

"You can't hold that second year jinx against me now," he told Billy. "Twenty-five wins was fairly good for what was supposed to be a jinx season."

Walker Lake Highway Job To Be Rushed

According to reports of the highway department, quick action on the part of the Isbell company in starting construction at Walker Lake is expected. The Isbells have shown wonderful celerity in handling state business. The latest illustration is on a 20-mile contract at Gardnerville where the Isbells were awarded the work on March 28th and got through with the grading so rapidly that they are now transferring part of their mechanical equipment to the Walker Lake district, where a lot of heavy work is included in the contract which stipulates that the present highway along the granite bluffs must not be closed longer than 70 days.

During that period all traffic will be detoured by the opposite side of Walker Lake where the railroad traverses. This is the early day route that has been reconditioned by the highway department to facilitate travel during construction. This road will be kept in good shape by special appropriation covering all maintenance work necessary. The highway at Hawthorne and Schurz and all approaches will be ample signboarded so travelers will not interfere with construction forces or be subject to the perils of heavy blasts in unexpected places. —Tonopah Times.

Outfield 'Brother Act' May Put Life Into Tigers' Second-Division Machine



These Walker brothers, graduates of the Three Eye league, are two of Bucky Harris' hopes for the Detroit outfield. In the minors both batted well .300, and both are speed demons on the bases.

SACRAMENTO, Cal. (AP)—Two young brothers from old Mississippi, who rose from baseball obscurity to the major leagues in one season, may furnish the impetus that Manager Bucky Harris hopes will lift the Detroit Tigers from the second to the first division.

The Walker boys, Harvey and Gerald, fresh from Evansville of the Three Eye league, are being groomed for outfield berths with the Tigers.

If they can keep up with the pace set in the American league, Manager Harris is confident his worst worries will be over.

The young fellows are speed-burners on the bases and exceptional ball hawks. Both served at the University of Mississippi at football and baseball. Harvey, nicknamed "Hubby," played quarterback while Gerald was an all-conference half-back.

It was on the gridiron where "Hubby" received a knee injury that changed him from an orthodox baseball slider into a headfirst artist. It is probably the most spectacular detail in the young man's baseball make-up. He dives through the air, as one would take off into a swimming pool, and often twists his body to the right or left.

During spring training season here he wanted to go back to the old-fashioned base-stealing method, but Manager Harris vetoed the suggestion emphatically.

Harris said: "You have perfected a system of your own. Stay with it. It is sensational and will bring you a lot of comment."

Although Hubby is the more colorful base runner, brother Gerald is the better base stealer. Until he broke his leg last season, Gerald led the Three Eye circuit in stolen bases with 50 out of 55 attempts.

Hubby, who is 23, throws right-handed and bats from the left side. Gerald, 23, is right-handed all around. The older of the brothers hit for an average of .355 last season, while Gerald was walloping the ball close to a .390 clip when he was injured.

Hubby parols center field and Gerald has alternated in right field with Roy Johnson, regular last year.

Alaska's newest airway, between Chinina, Chukchi Creek, Forty-Mile, Dawson, the panhandle of the territory and interior Yukon, shortens mail delivery by a month.

In a municipal wading pool where the water was but 18 inches deep, 400 Los Angeles children were taught to swim in a single season.

There is only one stop-and-go signal in the state of Nevada. It is at the intersection of Second and Virginia streets in Reno.

Jennings Says Treasure Hunt 'Just Baloney'

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mex., April 10. (AP)—Al Jennings, famous bandit and train robber of the early Oklahoma days, is beginning to believe that his newest occupation—that of hunting buried treasures and lost mines in Coahuila and Chihuahua—is just "so much baloney."

His latest exploit, however, shows that the lure of quick riches still rules his heart. Jennings adds excitement to his search for lost treasures by using an airplane.

He recently cracked up. But his plane is in shape again and he is on the trail of mythical riches.

"I haven't found anything yet, but I'm liable to strike it rich just over the ridge, or down in the next valley," he hopefully says.

"Treasure is like raw gold—it's where you find it, you know. From my experience so far, I've come to the conclusion that these old maps and symbols concerning exact locations of buried treasure and lost mines are just so much baloney."

The former outlaw turned to evangelism after giving up his criminal career. Later he turned movie actor and played in several western films. He also had dabbled in Oklahoma politics.

He was a writer for a time, and his serial magazine story, "Beating Back," brought out his various escapades from outlaw to politician.

Lewis Runs

Ed (Strangler) Lewis, who will attempt to regain the world's heavy-weight wrestling championship from Ed (Don) George at Los Angeles, April 13, is training for the bout like a boxer.

His road work is an important part of his comeback campaign and he runs many miles each day over the Verdugo hills. He has reduced his weight by his efforts on the road and is lighter than at any time since he wore the wrestling crown before.

Wise Costs Hess

A wise crack by his manager cost Goldie Hess, the little boxer, \$500 of his purse for boxing Tod Morgan. Each man posted a weight forfeit of \$500 to scale 135 pounds. Hess was found ounces overweight.

"Guess we'll take the forfeit," said the manager of Morgan, in jest.

"If you do," said the rival manager, "Hess will punch your fighter full of holes."

Morgan then claimed the forfeit and Hess not only failed to punch him full of holes but was defeated.

Alaskan Trappers Took a Minimum Amount of Fur This Season

Alaskan trappers took a minimum amount of fur this season, despite an abundance of game, for low prices kept many from the field.

A Berkeley, Calif., Woman Has 120 Varieties of Cactus in Her Private Collection

Salmon reducing plants of Alaska manufacture about 1,647,000 pounds of fertilizer yearly.

Warning Issued To Oil Buyers

EL PASO, Tex., April 10. (AP)—If you have that urge to get rich quick by buying oil stock, Ed Hodge, manager of the Business Men's Protection association, offers some standing advice as to what one should know before investing.

"The standing advice, of course, is to investigate before investing," Hodge said.

"You should know the principals of the company, their previous experience and record."

"Location of the well, geological formation, acre spacing, and drainage area also are needed things to know. The number of wells on the promoter's tract, and on surrounding acreage are indications of what is in the field."

"The estimated average of recoverable production and the effect of the proration schedule also are important items."

"The price asked for units should be compared with prices quoted in the producing area, and marketability are important, as well as whether the units offered involves joint liability of investors."

Marriage Licenses

KRASCHER—SHELPEY: Burton E. 26, and Dorothy J. 21, both of Delano, Calif.

GARRETT—STEWERT: Lester Guy, 35, and Anna K. 23, both of Los Angeles.

LANGFORD—OMUSA: Albert Emmerston, 21, and Marie, 18, both of Oceanide, Calif.

BROWN—KERN: Isaac S. 65, and E. Laura, 34, both of Los Angeles.

LEASE—HUNT: Rev. 27, and Eleanor Louise, 21, both of Hollywood.

MALONE—STARKS: Fay Herman, 24, and Margaret, 21, both of Alhambra.

MOULTON—HAIN: William H. Jr., 29, of Los Angeles, and Esther M. 34, of Chico, Calif.

COCHRANE—COOK: Lyle M. 26, and Dorothy, 25, both of Long Beach.

ROWE—FUNK: Herman H. 24, and Eva Mae, 24, both of Los Angeles.

LOUDON—ELLIOTT: Paul W. 24, and Audrey, 22, both of Los Angeles.

MARSHALL—HUNT: Robert E. 19, and Mildred, 18, both of Overton.

July 4, 1917. One minor child. Extreme cruelty. Ham & Taylor, attorneys for plaintiff.

GOODMAN STRONG CANDIDATE FOR JONES' AMATEUR TITLE



Johnny Goodman, 21-year-old veteran of the golf wars, is gunning for the national amateur golf title vacated by Bobby Jones. Johnny's putting has been bothered by the new ball. Otherwise, he's ready for the golf tests of the summer.

Suits Filed In District Court

Ruth K. McLellan, plaintiff, vs. Alden McLellan, defendant. The parties married Dec. 21, 1914, at Mobile, Ala. Failure to provide is alleged as the cause of action. Fred S. Alward, attorney for plaintiff.

Elma DuBell, plaintiff, vs. E. A. DuBell, defendant. The complaint recites the marriage of the parties at Canyonville, Ore., March 5, 1916. There are three minor children. Extreme cruelty is charged. Lewis & Ragsdale, attorneys for plaintiff.

Mattie J. Horn, plaintiff, vs. Thomas T. Horn, defendant. The marriage took place at Columbus, Kans., March 29, 1909. There are three minor children of the parties. Desertion is alleged as the cause of action. E. F. Dupray, attorney for plaintiff.

John J. Wise, plaintiff, vs. Ruth C. Wise, defendant. The complaint sets forth the marriage of plaintiff and defendant at San Francisco



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