

BROOKLYN HEADED FOR FIRST DIVISION

Changes Contemplated in Team Which, If They Go Through, Will Tend Prevent Giants too Great Lead.

By JOHN B. FOSTER (Copyright, 1924, By The Advance) New York, May 3—Brooklyn is planning changes in addition to the accession of Stock that may make the club strong enough to put it up in the first division.

These changes will be made in the outfield. If they are not made immediately they will be made as soon as arrangements can be completed. The negotiations are under way and Robbie is angling for the sort of players that will go far toward lifting the team up. With pitching as good as Brooklyn is, it will not take such a terrible lot to shove the team into the thick of the fight, whether it becomes a positive factor for the championship or not.

Added strength for Brooklyn will increase interest in the National League championship race. It will help to keep the Giants from getting so far out in front that interest will lag, and that is exactly what the league leaders are threatening to do. The Giants play for championships, not for sentiment, and they will pile up all the games they can. That is something which it has always been hard to impress upon some National League owners, who have allowed themselves to believe there should be a certain amount of co-operation in sport—a theory which if it were allowed to gain headway would wreck any sport organization in the world.

Brooklyn's defense has been bad from the start of the season. The addition of Stock helped a lot because he is a timely hitter, can play third base better than any other man on the club and gives an opportunity to put some one at short and second who will carry the team into the upper story class.

The negotiations that Brooklyn is conducting should make the team strong enough to win at a .550 clip all of the time, and probably better. If the deal goes through Boston and Philadelphia will be trailers unless they can improve their batting.

Class AA clubs are running mostly as expected in their championship fight. Indianapolis held the top in the American Association all through April. It's a team of a lot of power if it's left to its own way of winning and not shifted too much. Kansas City has fallen into line as runner up, largely because of good pitching. Louisville is doing a little better than expected which is a tribute to Joe McCarthy, the Louisville manager, whose knowledge of baseball is deeper than most people realize, and who may make a major league manager some day.

Baltimore is driving ahead in the International, and has played more games than any of them. Reading, Newark and Rochester are in the thick of the fight and if Buffalo and Toronto come into line the league may get where it can threaten Baltimore seriously. Eventually the International will have to abandon the guarantee system of operation and come to the division of gate receipts. The guarantee is obsolete and impractical for successful baseball in cities of 100,000 or over. San Francisco is being chased hard after breaking out in front of all its circuit. It has a good team and if defeated for the championship there will be some of the best baseball the coast has seen for a long time.

Better Hide Mr. Dempsey



This fierce looking gent is a bull-fighter from Spain. His name is Andrew Balsa and he aspires to fame as a fistic gladiator. "I whip the bull, why not the man?" he asks. Why not? we echo. Mr. Balsa wants to start with Dempsey, proving that he cares not what happens to him in our fair country.

Christened Stadium With Homer



Action picture showing the "Babe" arriving at home at the opening game at the Yankee Stadium, New York and (left) raising the pennant over the stadium at the opening.

Some Sweater



If His Highness was wearing this sweater at the time his horse threw him—well, everything is explained. Yes, it's the Prince of Wales and his very colorful golf sweater threatens to become fashionable.

WILLS HANDS IN GOOD SHAPE NOW

Physician Says They are Fit Even to Smash Against Madden's Granite Dome in Bout on May 12.

By FAUB PLAY New York, May 3—Harry Wills is going to be in prime condition when he meets Madden on May 12. Today, after an examination of his hands, his physician pronounced them fit to come in contact even against Madden's granite head. And the other day the writer caught the same impression from the way he let out at his sparring partners. Wills has got to be right for this fight. Madden has caused many a top notcher of his ability to take that which would founder many a higher grade fighter. At the same time he bores in with his wallops and all in all makes quite a lot of wherever he happens to be. If he should stick around with Harry throughout the full route on May 12, Wills would be through, at least in the minds of many ring followers. Sad to say, Madden would not get too much credit, while Wills would be losing a couple of tons of reputation.

Hugh Gartland, who went to Buenos Aires, ostensibly to take Luis Firpo under his wing and make millions for him, says he is ready to do this if Firpo will come to this country and fulfill a dozen or so engagements he has booked up for him. Contrary to general belief, Gartland did not take any financial risk in his recent trip to Buenos Aires. Firpo and his advisers seem to have wanted him to accompany Al Reich, perhaps to see that Al didn't get cold feet and jump overboard on the way to the Argentine. Also they wanted the benefit of his advice in promoting the Spalla and Reich affairs. Anyway they paid Gartland's way to Buenos Aires and return. The trip was about all Hughie got out of it. As for Reich, he received five thousand dollars and expenses for going several thousand miles just to take it on the chin.

BASEBALL QUESTION BOX

If you have some question to ask about baseball— Write to John B. Foster, the man who helped make the rules under which the game is played today. If you want a personal reply enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Otherwise your question will be answered in this column. Address: John B. Foster, special baseball correspondent of The Daily Advance, 811 World Building, New York.

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Question—Why was the spitball banned? Answer—Because it was disgustingly unhealthy.

Question—Which is the more effective, the curve ball pitcher or the speed king? Answer—Depends upon the batters.

Question—Is the slender player as good as the heavily built player? Answer—Better as a rule.

Question—Runner on first base. He starts to steal on the pitch. The batter raises his bat in front of him when the catcher tries to make the throw. The ball hits the bat of the batter. Does the player go back to first or does he stay where he is? Answer—It depends upon whether the umpire rules there has been interference or no interference. If the umpire rules the batter out the runner returns to first. If the umpire rules there is no interference, the catcher makes a wild throw.

Question—Home run is batted. Player does not touch third base. Has reached home and before any effort is made to put him out he realizes that he cut the base and then after touching it does not touch home again but walks to the bench. An opposing player recovers the ball and goes over to the player and tags him. The umpire says he is out. Was he out? Answer—He was. He was at liberty to go back to third but he had to go home as if he never had never touched home plate after going back to retouch third.

Question—Why did not the St. Louis Cards use Les Mann regularly in their line up for 1922 and 1923? His record for 1922 given in the Reach official baseball guide last year shows that he had the highest batting and fielding averages of any player on the St. Louis team, that is of the outfielders.

Answer—Have no idea as to why Manager Rickey did not use Mann more than he did. Except that Rickey did not consider that he was as valuable to him as some other players. The manager is the man who decides that sort of thing and not the player's record. He is said to have retired from major league baseball.

New York, May 3—What Tilden and Richards have been working for is soon likely to come about—an issue on the player-writer rule. Everything points to the probability of a referendum in the United States Lawn Tennis Association as to whether or not this rule shall be rescinded. An official of the association told the writer today that he was by no means certain how such a vote would result. It would all depend upon whether admiration for the two stars outbalanced a desire for a strict amateur stand.

If such a vote is held it would be only fair for Tilden to lay his cards upon the table and to give exact information as to just how much money he has made out of lawn tennis and the various ways in which he made it. Suppose it were to appear that Tilden was picking up twenty or twenty-five thousand dollars a year through his various activities relating to lawn tennis? Would this affect the attitude of the members of the U. S. L. T. A., throughout the country? It might, just as there might be a reaction of the opposite sort were Tilden able to show that his income is not very substantial.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF RE SALE Of Real Estate

In virtue of an order or resale entered in the matter of the sale of the lands of Geo. J. Spencer, by Ernest L. Sawyer, Clerk Superior Court, on the 20th day of April, 1924, and in virtue of power and authority in that certain deed of trust executed to the undersigned Trustee by Geo. J. Spencer and wife, Mary V. Sawyer, on the 20th day of January, 1923, and which said deed of trust is duly recorded in Book 57, Page 89, Office of the Register of Deeds for Pasquotank County, default having been made in the payment of the notes secured by said deed of trust, and the bid of FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE (\$425.00) DOLLARS, having been raised ten per cent, the undersigned, Thos. J. Markham, Trustee, will on Thursday, the 15th day of May, 1924, receive, for each of the highest bidder, at the Court House door of said county, at 12 o'clock Noon, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Situated on the North side of York Street, in what is known as "Sawyer Town," within the corporate limits of Elizabeth City, and being known and designated as Lot Number 25, in the plat of M. S. Sawyer, as the same appears of record in Book 16, Page 217, of the records in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Pasquotank County, for each of the highest bidder, the amount of the last bid. Dated and posted this 30th day of April, 1924. THOS. J. MARKHAM, Trustee.

NORTH CAROLINA, PASQUOTANK COUNTY, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT, ALBEMARLE FIDELITY COMPANY, K. R. WINSLOW, Notice of Execution Sale

In virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Pasquotank County in the above entitled action, I will on Monday, the 2nd day of June, 1924, at 12 o'clock noon at the Court House door of said county, sell to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said execution, all the right, title and interest which the said K. R. Winslow, defendant, has in the following described real estate, to-wit:

That tract of land situated in Providence Township, Pasquotank County, North Carolina, bounded on the North by the land of the heirs of Newton Jones, deceased; on the East by the Cases Land; on the South by the Fork Road; on the West by the Creek Road; containing 110 acres, more or less, and known as "The Stafford or White Horse Tract." This first day of May, 1924. CHAS. REID, Sheriff.

Major League Baseball NATIONAL LEAGUE Friday's Scores Chicago 3 Cincinnati 1 Boston 4 New York 1 Pittsburgh 3 St. Louis 5 Philadelphia 6 AMERICAN LEAGUE Friday's Scores Cleveland 2 Chicago 1 St. Louis 2 Detroit 1 New York 4 Washington 1 Philadelphia 0 Boston 11 COLLAR BUSINESS GOOD South Bend, Ind., May 2 (Special)—Wilson Brothers & Company are preparing to open a new neckwear plant which will provide 10,000 square feet of floor space and will give jobs to several hundred workers. EAT Weatherly's PURE LOLLYPOPS

NOTICE! LIST YOUR PROPERTY AND POLL TAX AND REPORT CROP ACREAGE The Tax Listers for Pasquotank County will sit at the following places during May, 1924: SALEM TOWNSHIP N. T. Halstead, List Taker Farmers Store (Weeksville) May 7 and 23 Farmers Store (Salem) May 9 W. S. Mead's Store (Sound Neck) May 13 Lister's Corner May 15 Crowder Meads' Store May 20 Bob White Forks May 27 W. H. Garrett's Store May 29 NIXONTON TOWNSHIP C. L. Ball, List Taker Barcliff's Store (Nixonton) May 6 Jasper Thompson's Store May 8 Stanley's Store (Weeksville) May 13 Mead's Store (Simons Creek) May 15 Price's Store (Brothers Corner) May 20 Mack Fletcher's Store May 29 MT. HERMON TOWNSHIP T. C. Perry, List Taker Corinth School House May 7 and 8 L. A. Bundy's Store May 9 Okiske May 12 Small School House May 13 and 14 PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP C. N. Davis, List Taker Providence School House May 7 and 8 Fork School House May 9 and 10 Berea School House May 12 and 13 NEWLAND TOWNSHIP W. O. Etheridge, List Taker A. S. Morgan's Store May 7 L. J. Brothers' Store May 8 T. D. Jones' Store May 9 C. C. Brite's Store May 12 G. W. Harris's Store May 13 W. J. Williams' Store May 14 G. Whitehurst's May 20 and afternoon 19th ELIZABETH CITY TOWNSHIP J. C. Spence and A. C. Metcalf, List Takers At Courthouse from May 6 to May 31 inclusive. C. C. PRITCHARD, County Auditor.

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