

REDS' PITCHING STAFF IS GROGGY

And Whole Team of Old Timers More or Less That Way Seems Going to Pieces Like Famous Shay.

By JOHN B. FOSTER Copyright, 1924, by The Advance New York, June 23.—The pitching staff of the Cincinnati Reds is groggy. All the team is more or less that way.

The championship is not lost to the Reds, but they are a dolorous lot with their old players staggering. Daubert seems to be nearing the letter "Z" of his career. Burns, who is the type of player who never gives up trying, has been compelled to take a back seat. His whole ambition is to play all the games of a season. Being on the shelf with "Charley-Horse" is a bitter dose for him to swallow. The Reds thought they had secondary strength enough to cope with any such miserable conditions. The pitching staff has not come up to expectations. Mays, on his record of this year, is an even breaker. He has gone beyond the stage where he can frighten them any more by mentioning submarine. Apparently Huggins knew what he was doing when he kept him out in 1923 and, when he finally let him go to Cincinnati, Mays pitches good games but his average of good has been cut in half.

The Eastern trip of Cincinnati has been a bitter disappointment and a body blow. The team will have to win at a 750 clip to get back what it lost to the Giants and even then it will find a tremendous task in front of it. Pittsburgh has not been better in the East. Most certainly it has not shown championship form. No team that loses more games than it wins is going to cut into the percentage of the Giants. Pittsburgh is finding its pitchers walking in circles like those of Cincinnati. The older pitchers on both teams are not maintaining their grip and it looks as if the time has come when they must not be reckoned upon as steady winners.

With Cincinnati and Pittsburgh flunking on the field and St. Louis merely the outcome of tire and futile experimenting, the West will probably drop out of the National League picture except for Chicago.

Hard luck will be claimed for Cincinnati but putting the team on the field as it was this spring was purely a gamble. There were more old timers on the Reds than on any other team and if the old shay did start to break down it was likely to keep flup. That appears to be about what has happened.

Manager Hendricks may have enough inspiration in him to get his old players fired up with renewed zeal, but history has not much of anything to cause him to cheer up this year.

The trip of Western National teams to the East has been a hard blow to the club owners, who hoped that something might happen which would end the deadly monotony of Eastern supremacy. It will take more than the mid re-organization of 1924 to end it. The Western half will have to be shaken vigorously before using in 1925 if the National is to have more of its championship fights than steady domination of the Atlantic side of the league. By that time, Boston and Philadelphia may brace up and the task will be harder than ever for the West.

Of course, the Cubs now are the "white haired boys" and their trip away from home has been the best thing Chicago clubs have shown in five years. If they win they will have to carry the battle right down to the finish in September, but they seem fitted for it as they are constituted.

Major League Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE Saturday's Scores Chicago, 4; St. Louis, 3. Chicago, 1; St. Louis, 0. Boston, 1; New York, 2. Pittsburgh, 1; Cincinnati, 0. Brooklyn, 4; Philadelphia, 3.

Sunday's Scores Brooklyn, 6; Philadelphia, 7. Cincinnati, 9; Pittsburgh, 4. Chicago-St. Louis—rain.

Standing of Teams. W. L. Pct. New York 38 20 .655. Chicago 36 21 .632. Brooklyn 31 26 .553. Cincinnati 28 30 .482. Pittsburgh 26 29 .473. Boston 23 30 .434. St. Louis 21 36 .368. Philadelphia 20 32 .384.

AMERICAN LEAGUE Saturday's Scores St. Louis, 5; Chicago, 8. St. Louis, 7; Chicago, 6. New York, 5; Boston, 3. Detroit, 6; Cleveland, 5. Philadelphia, 3; Washington, 11.

Sunday's Scores St. Louis, 4; Chicago, 6. Washington, 5; Philadelphia, 4. New York, 2; Boston, 6. Detroit, 5; Cleveland, 7. Standing of Teams. W. L. Pct. New York 30 23 .566. Detroit 34 28 .545. Boston 28 25 .524. St. Louis 28 28 .500. Washington 29 26 .527. Chicago 37 28 .491. Cleveland 27 29 .482. Philadelphia 20 24 .454.

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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.

Question—A runner is on first base and a fly ball is hit. The runner tries to reach third. The fly is caught. Then the runner turns around and misses second. He reaches first before the ball gets there. Is he out for not touching second?

Answer—He is out if the play is made. He must touch the bases in regular order when retracing his steps.

Question—A hard ball is batted to the shortstop. He sees that he cannot get it so he throws his glove at it and knocks the ball flat and puts two runners out. Is that play right?

Answer—It is not. The batter should have been given three bases and the runners advanced accordingly.

Question—Runner on first base. Pitcher places his foot about an inch from the box and begins to wind up. The runner thinks he has his foot in the box. The pitcher never faces the batter but is looking at the runner all the time. The runner starts for second and the pitcher throws him out. Is this a balk?

Answer—Like all balks, plays the personal judgment of the umpire must rule on a maneuver of this kind. The pitcher was not in his box but I am inclined to believe that he was trying to deceive the runner and would rule accordingly.

Question—I would like to have published all the records of Ty Cobb and something about his life and what he has done in baseball.

Answer—While the writer is perfectly willing to give all the information desired it would take too much space for the Question Box. Cobb holds more records than any other ball player.

Question—Man is at bat. He hits the ball and runs. Shortstop catches the ball and throws to first. The first baseman reaches out to catch the ball and does not pick it up. Just holds it there. Is the batter safe or not? The umpire called him safe. It cost us the game 6 to 5 with Greensboro High.

Answer—If the umpire was sure the ball was firmly held by the first baseman he could render such a decision. Of course, the first baseman must pick up the ball from the ground and the umpire should watch for that. It has been ruled that the right play is to call an out if the ball is held firmly and handled cleanly.

Question—Just what is meant by the squeeze play?

Answer—If a runner is on third and the batter bunts when the runner starts for home plate the batter is trying to "squeeze" the runner in. Some times it works and more often it doesn't. A smart nine can beat it.

Question—Batter knocks a high foul behind third base. Third baseman leans over three tiers of seats and catches the ball. Umpire calls the man out but the batter protests that the ball was not caught in the field of play. Was the batter right?

Answer—He was not. The ball is in play if it can be reached by a fielder who is on fair ground.

Question—On looking over a sum-

ITALIAN'S RISE RAPID TO LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE

By FAIR PLAY Copyright, 1924, by The Advance New York, June 23.—Stephen Tricamo, a Brooklyn Italian, known as Kid Sullivan, is the new junior light weight champion of the world. The boy completely surprised those who did not know how fast he had been coming along lately. Sullivan out-boxed Dundee Friday night and when it came to slugging he stood toe to toe with the former title holder and gave better than he received.

Dundee has not been looking well lately and some of his friends who had noticed his poor condition knew he was in for a beating. They did not think, however, the Brooklyn youngster would be the one to turn the trick. Dundee fought in his old energetic manner, using his old time tactics of springing from the ropes but Sullivan was never there when Dundee bounded at him. The decision went to Sullivan without any particular protest even from Dundee's ardent admirers.

TEXAS POULTRY DROPS

Houston, June 23.—Poultry prices have dropped here owing to increase of receipts. Prices for hens fell from 21 to 18 cents, and fryers from 32 to 28.

many of a Toronto score I saw this: "Passed ball, Vincent." What does it mean?

Answer—It means that Vincent catcher for Toronto dropped a pitched ball on which the base runner of an opposing team gained a base.

Question—Batter hits ball to the shortstop who fumbles it but the shortstop gets the man at first. Would you call this an error or not?

Answer—It is never an error if the shortstop recovers a fumble in time to throw the batter out.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NORTH CAROLINA, PASQUOTANK COUNTY. SUPERIOR COURT. BEFORE THE CLERK. STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OF NORTH CAROLINA, Plaintiff, vs. FOREMAN STOCK FARMS, INC., et al. Respondents. NOTICE. All parties to the above proceeding will take notice that, pursuant to order made in said cause by His Honor, W. A. Devin, Judge, on April 25th, 1924, reversing judgment heretofore made by the Clerk in said cause and allowing petitioner to file amended petition within thirty days from date of said order and remanding said cause to the Clerk for further proceeding according to law, petitioner did on May 24th, 1924, file its amended petition in said cause; Clerk will on Monday, June 2nd, 1924, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., in the Clerk's Office in said County, hear cause, if any can be shown, why an engineer and viewers shall not be appointed and the drainage district referred to in said petition shall not be established. And at which said time you will file such pleadings or other papers in said cause as you may deem best.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION Having qualified as Administrator of the late Kenneth L. Stevens I hereby give notice to all persons indebted to his estate to come forward and make immediate settlement, and those holding claims against the same to present them for payment within twelve months from the date of this notice, or it will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

NOTICE OF SALE Sale of Valuable Property By virtue of that certain Mortgage duly recorded in Book 48, page 113, office of the Register of Deeds of Pasquotank County, I shall sell to the highest bidder for cash at the Court House door in Pasquotank County at 12 o'clock M., on Monday, July 14th, 1924, the following described property, to-wit:

NOTICE OF SALE Of Real Estate By virtue of an order of the undersigned Commissioner made in the above entitled action, in that certain special proceeding entitled Walter L. Cooper, et al. vs. Herb, Cooper, et al., I will on Wednesday, the 12th day of July, 1924, at 12 o'clock Noon, before the Court House door of Pasquotank County, offer for sale at public auction in the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate to-wit:

NOTICE OF SERVICE NORTH CAROLINA, PASQUOTANK COUNTY. DARR COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA. NAGS HEAD TOWNSHIP L. D. TARKINGTON, vs. S. C. TILLETTE. NOTICE OF SUMMONS AND WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT The defendant above named will take notice that a summons in the above entitled action was issued against said defendant on the 21st day of June, 1924, by W. F. Baum, a justice of the peace of Pasquotank County, for the sum of \$51.25, due said plaintiff by account which summons is returnable before said justice at his office at Martins in said County and Township on the 24th day of June, 1924.

NOTICE OF SERVICE NORTH CAROLINA, PASQUOTANK COUNTY. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. CLARA W. BALL, Administratrix d. b. n. of T. A. Commander, deceased, Plaintiff, vs. J. C. BIRDOKER, Administrator of C. E. Commander, deceased, Mary E. Commander, widow of said C. E. Commander, Eugene Commander, heirs Harriet and husband, W. T. Harris, Thomas N. Commander, Joseph E. Commander, Evelyn E. Commander, Margaret Commander, Graham Commander, Lillian Mae Commander and Emma Commander, Defendants.

NOTICE TO EUGENE COMMANDER AND LILLIAN MAE COMMANDER: You and each of you will hereby take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Pasquotank County, North Carolina; that the purpose of said action is to have a receiver appointed for the affairs of the late co-partnership of T. A. Commander & Son and to wind up his affairs thereof; that the plaintiff herein has a good cause of action against the above named defendants as will appear from an inspection of the complaint which is now on file in the office of the Clerk Superior Court of Pasquotank County.

NOTICE OF SERVICE NORTH CAROLINA, PASQUOTANK COUNTY. IN THE SUPERIOR COURT. GEO. J. SPENCE, Plaintiff, vs. PAWLING & HARNISCHFEGER CO., Defendant. NOTICE OF SUMMONS and Warrant of Attachment The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Pasquotank County, same being for the purpose of recovering fees and commissions due plaintiff by defendant for account of handling of an account for said Pawling & Harnischfeger Co., against C. W. Lacey, said fees and commissions amounting to \$461.

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