

FIVE GRADUATE FROM INFELD

BIG LEAGUE MANAGERS OFTEN INFELDERS.

Tinker, Huggins and Evers Among Infelders Now Managers.

Infelders have rushed to the front as managers in the National league this season. Five of the eight teams in the league are being handled by men who are now playing infield positions or did before they retired from active service on the field. The three infield players are Tinker of the Cincinnati Reds, Huggins of the St. Louis Cardinals and Evers of the Chicago Cubs, all of whom are assuming the burden of management for the first time this season.

The two retired infelders who are now managers on the old circuit are McGraw of the New York Giants and Dahien of the Brooklyn Superbas. It certainly seems as if there is something about the playing of the infield which brings out the best that there is in a player and develops his faculties in a way to make him a successful leader.

Of the other three managers in the National league one is an outfielder and two are catchers. Fred Clarke of Pittsburgh was a playing manager in the outfield until last year, when he retired to the bench, but the chances are good that he will be in harness again this season.

George Stallings, who is managing the Boston Beane from the bench, was a catcher in his playing days, a good many years ago. Both these men have been successful as leaders of teams. Clarke has managed the Pittsburgh team for a dozen seasons and has never finished out of the first division, besides winning four pennants.

Stallings has been with several clubs in the major and minor leagues and has achieved a reputation as a winning leader wherever he has been. Charley Doolin of the Phillies is the other catcher now managing a team in the league.

Catchers have not been very successful as leaders. John Kling was a failure at Boston, and Roger Bresnahan failed to do what was expected of him

at St. Louis. Doolin now has a chance to redeem the reputation of his position, for this year for the first time he will be free of senseless interference from officials of the club and will have an opportunity to run his team according to his own ideas. President Locke will give him an absolutely free hand, and Doolin is likely to make his club one to be feared by all other teams in the league.

But the infelders have the call as managers, and the work of the three new men who are trying to follow in McGraw's footsteps will be watched with intense interest as the season advances and the fans can observe what kind of work they are getting out of their ball clubs.

PITCHERS HEAD THE CLUB.

One Hurler Is President, While Another Is Manager.

Unusual complications are possible under the new ownership of the Grand Rapids (Mich.) Central League club. Both President W. E. Essack and Manager Ed Smith of the club are pitchers and expect to take their regular turns in the box.

Some day the president may be yielding too many hits to suit the manager. Then Smith will order Essack to the bench.

Will the president submit or will he hand Smith his release?

Then, too, in the course of time Manager Smith is likely to report to President Essack that Pitcher Essack "has gone back" and should be released.

Doubtless in that contingency the president will back up the pitcher.

LEFT HANDERS NUMEROUS.

Rebel Oakes Says He Has Seen Little Else This Spring.

"I have never seen so many left handers as I have this spring," said Reb Oakes of the St. Louis Cardinals ruminatively as he watched Pitcher Hamilton of the St. Louis Browns warm up in one of the city series games recently. "All spring long we have had left handed pitching and left handed batting. Why, even the waiters, the porters and the bellboys have been left handed."

"The other day in fungo practice Pitcher Harmon hit one over my head and three small boys relayed the ball back to me. Every one of 'em was left handed. Believe me, I am no sea of gurgling glee, or words to that effect." And Mr. Oakes continued to watch the sorrel topped Hamilton fan the Cardinal batters.

KETCHER TITLE FITS KLAUS

Pittsburgh Middleweight Entitled to Be Called Champion.

The much mooted question of who shall succeed Stanley Ketchel as middleweight champion of the world was settled in a practical purpose when Frank Klaus of Pittsburgh defeated Billy Papke of Kewanee, Ill., on a foul in fifteen rounds in the Cirque d'



FIGHTING ATTITUDE OF FRANK KLAUS.

Paris recently. It seemed to be the feeling from the reports received thus far that Papke deliberately fouled to prevent himself being knocked out.

It is generally agreed that Klaus is the best middleweight in the world, bar none, and he may be recognized in this country as champion as well as in France and Great Britain. The French Federation of Boxing gave a gold belt to Klaus, emblematic of the middleweight championship of the world, which he will defend against all comers.

The one man yet to be eliminated is

WHEN THE YANKS FORCED RUBE WADDELL TO QUIT.

Pitcher Joe Lake tells this story regarding Rube Waddell:

"The Highlanders were playing St. Louis in New York one day, and with the score tied I hit a fast one back at Rube. The ball struck him on the left wrist and then caromed off toward third base. I reached first before Rube had a chance to throw, and when he saw me standing on the sack he went over by the base line and started to cry."

"The St. Louis team crowded about Waddell and, after much pleading, got him to continue pitching. The next ball he threw was slammed into deep center field by Jimmy Austin, and when the sphere was retrieved Austin was on third and I was sitting on the bench."

"That was too much for Waddell, and he left the game."

"He told the St. Louis players that when Jimmy Austin could find him for a triple it was time for a certain party named Waddell to go on a fishing trip."

"And fishing he went, before the game was over."

Eddie McGoorty of Oakbrook before Klaus can put forth a clear claim to the honors. McGoorty has done some sensational boxing in this country, but some of his performances have not been so creditable. Memorable among these was his tussle with Mike Gibbons at Madison Square Garden, New York, a short time ago.

Klaus' next battle will be with Carpenter, the Frenchman, in Paris, April 17.

PLAN LONG YACHT RACE.

Nine Hundred Miles Jaunt For Boats on the Great Lakes.

A 1000 mile yacht race from Chicago to Duluth is being considered by Commodore James O. Heyworth of the Chicago Yacht club. This race, the most adventurous held by any fresh water yacht club in the world, is made possible by the large number of big sailing vessels which have been purchased or built for the Chicago fleet this year.

Commodore Heyworth would like to put the race on the schedule this summer, but until more of the boat owners are heard from the date will be held in abeyance. It is regarded as a certainty for next year.

TO COMPETE IN AUSTRALIA.

American Team Will Visit Antipodes in Winter of 1914.

The All American track and field team which will visit Australia and New Zealand in November, returning in April, 1914, will consist of four men.

William Dismack of San Francisco, who is organizing the team, said recently the men would be chosen as follows:

A sprinter who is capable of a good performance from 100 to 440 yards, a distance man who can run a good race from 880 yards to five miles, a man of all around ability who has been successful in the pole vault, broad jump, javelin and discus throwing, high jump and possibly can negotiate the hurdles, and a field event man with fair shot putting ability.

Three and possibly four of the men will be easterners. The expenses of the trip will be paid by the Australian and New Zealand Amateur Athletic association.

CATCHER SCHANG LOOKS GOOD

Athletics' Young Catcher Gives Promise of Developing into a Star.

That the abilities of Wally Schang, the young catcher of the Philadelphia Athletics for whom thirteen clubs put in a draft last fall, have not been overestimated has been proved to Connie Mack. The youngster shows more and more every day. He can hit, is fast on the bases and has an excellent throwing arm. Mack also is well pleased with the work of Pete Daly, the young outfielder he secured from Los Angeles for Maggert, Fahey and Crabbe. The youngster has the ability to get on the bases, and Mack hopes to use him as a lead-off man for the Athletics.

Halpin Will Race Abroad.

Tom Halpin of Boston, the national quarter mile sprinting champion and captain of the New England track team, may make the long journey to Australia to show his wares to the folk on the other side of the world some time this summer.

Comes to Study American Styles.

Lauri Pihkale, who holds the Finnish records in the 200, 400 and 800 meter races, is now in this country to take up a six weeks' study of the methods used in training athletes at the University of Pennsylvania. He hopes to get suggestions which will aid him in training the Finnish team for the Olympic games of 1916.

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