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NEWS AND GOSSIP OF THE WORLD OF SPORTS

CINCINNATI REDS HAVE A SPLENDID TEAM

By H. C. HAMILTON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—The Cincinnati Reds and the Cincinnati fans are in the throes of a winter campaign for the National League pennant.

Cincinnati never saw a world's series. As a matter of fact, Cincinnati has only come close to the top of the heap since baseball began to send husbands home to their dinners late and break up domestic bliss with its arguments. Cincinnati has found itself possessed of the batting champion of the National league, a shrewd manager and a fine ball park. So—Cincinnati has it all figured out that the Reds are a dark entry.

Cincinnati does possess a splendid baseball club, and blessed with a manager of wholesome ideas and horse sense, is going to make trouble in the first division. As a new club, it must be pointed out that the start of the season will have a great deal to do with where the Reds finish.

As matters now stand Cincinnati may suffer a very heavy blow, for it looks very much as if Fred Toney would have to spend a year or so explaining why he eluded exemption from the draft. If he kicks off the thrilling loops of the rope which seems to have entangled him, stock of the Reds will soar for the huge righthander is one of the best pitchers in the business.

Some idea of the strength of the Reds may be gathered from the neatness with which they executed the Cleveland club last fall in a post-season series for the championship of Ohio. Most of that strength holds over. There is no reason why the Reds shouldn't begin right where they left off.

Manager Mathewson figured he would have an improved infield to begin with in 1918, through the acquisition of Morris Ruth, but that youth proved to be attached more strongly to whipping the Kaiser and he joined the colors. Russell Black-

burne, twice sent back to the minors as a failure, has been obtained and may take the second-basing job off the hands of Dave Shean.

Built in the infield are the immovable visages of Hal Chase, Heinie Groh and Shortstop Kopf. They're good enough for any ball club. Outfielders there are worse than the trio composed of Sherwood Magee, Tommy Griffiths, Earle Neale and Eddie Rousch.

The catching staff is excellent. Tom Clarke and Ivy Wingo to bear the brunt. The pitching staff, provided it retains Fred Toney, Mike Regan, Pete Schneider and Hod Eller, looks well in comparison with other staffs. Mathewson believes in Gerner and Bressler he has picked up two brilliant youngsters. Gerner comes from the International league strongly recommended. Bressler has been up before, his first time with the Athletics. Connie Mack picked up a promising pitcher who may decide he couldn't be moulded into a major league figure.

The Reds should not finish lower than they did a year ago. With their tremendous batting strength and with the coolness that goes with their success they are bound to make a strong finish. That they will win a pennant, however, does seem to be stretching it slightly just at this period.

ALEXANDER SOON WILL BE A "HASBEEN," SAYS BAKER

By H. C. HAMILTON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—The sale of Grover Cleveland Alexander to the Chicago Cubs did more than merely shake the foundations of the National league with a cold and rasping rattle. The news laid hold of Philadelphia skeletons as it skidded up and down Peacock alley and rattled the old bones of hidden Philly skeletons until managers, fans and critics almost trembled.

William F. Baker opened up the casket and displayed the bones of the carefully hidden skeleton. It seems that Baker grew considerably peeved when criticism began to whizz around his head for the sale of his star bat-

tery. So he immediately began giving his reasons and spilled the news that Grover Alexander is one of the boys who do not keep themselves in the best of condition.

Alexander, according to President Baker, was sold for just that reason. Baker does not believe Alexander's effectiveness will be so pronounced next season, and declares he sees a beginning of the end for the power that lurks in the famous pitcher's right arm. He believes if he had carried a year to cut the strings that bound player and club together his star's value would have decreased until it would have touched at about \$15,000. Alexander's habits, according to Baker, are rapidly cutting the star's worth and soon will lay him among the hasbeens.

Baker, however, declared he parted from Alexander with the friendliest of feelings. He pointed to the brilliant path the star righthander has left as a monument in Philadelphia and asserted there isn't another pitcher in the business who would have been able to keep up under the strain of such work.

The case of Killefer, who goes to Chicago with Alexander, according to Baker, is considerably different. There is a distinct peeve existing in Philadelphia over the way Killefer has acted. He antagonized Baker last fall at the end of the season, according to the club president when he flung himself out of the Philly office and announced he would quit baseball. He had been informed a salary cut would be necessary. According to Baker, Killefer was on the market and would have been traded to some club without Alexander being included had the Chicago offer not come along.

Another cog is expected to be knocked from the Philly machine, before spring. Fred Luderus, it is said, will be released.

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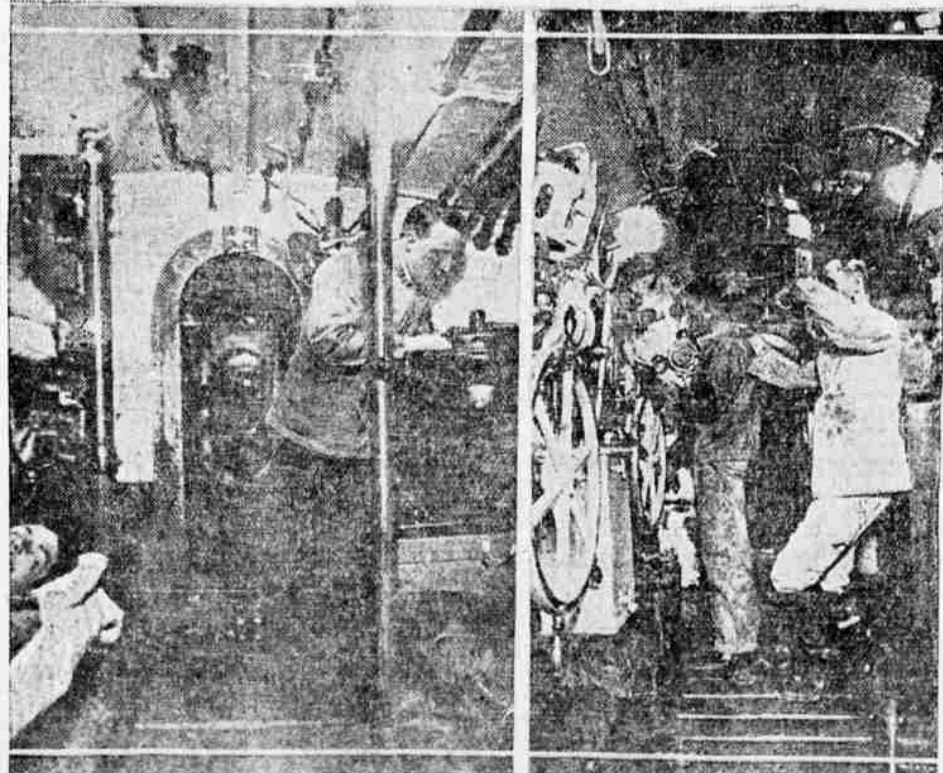
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