

EXCELLENT TIP FOR BASEBALL MAGNATES

Better Results Obtained by Exhibiting More Interest.

When Ray Chapman of Cleveland Indians Was in a Rut He Went to Owner Dunn and Was Helped Greatly by Advice Given.

Baseball magnates might, on many occasions, obtain the greatest results from their players by exhibiting a bit of personal interest in the men. A striking example of the manner in which this system works out is the case of Magnate Dunn of the Cleveland team and Ray Chapman, the peerless shortstop.

In 1916 Chapman was deeply in the dumps. His batting average shrunk way down, and his work in the field was at times quite rusty. He seemed to be working hard in every game, but he could not get results to satisfy himself. The fix was on his trail, too, and during the season he suffered several injuries. Rumors were around that "Chappie" was to be sold or traded.

Being a sensitive lad, he went to Magnate Dunn and explained that he was in a rut. Dunn did not laugh him out, or threaten him in any way. He took the youngster to one side and talked to him like a father. Among other things he told Chapman he could rest assured he was a fixture on the Cleveland club, and that he had all kinds of confidence in him. He advised Chapman to keep on working the best he could, and the fix would get discouraged and leave. Chapman left

the conference light-hearted and determined to give up the best he had for the Cleveland owner.

Chapman's record shows clearly the result of that conference with his boss. He was easily right among the top-notchers on the shortstop job and he has remained a real star ever since. Chapman swears by Magnate Dunn, and cites his little experience as tending to show what a little heart-to-heart confab will do for owner and player.

SINGLE TURNED INTO HOMER

Funniest Play in Experience of John McGraw of the Giants Happened at Olean, N. Y.

John McGraw, manager of the Giants, says the funniest play of his experience happened when he was the kid third baseman of the old Olean (N. Y.) team, the club with which he started his professional career.

The play was the climax of an exciting 14-inning Fourth of July game between the Olean team and its most hated rival, Bradford, Pa. With the score standing tied at 3 to 3 in the fourteenth with two out, Arthur Egan, the pony pitcher of the Olean team, dropped a single into left field. Owing to the holiday, a crowd surrounded the field.

As the Bradford left fielder was about to pick up the ball, a playful scoundrel left his master in the crowd and, picking the ball up, ran with it, the left fielder in pursuit. He caught up with the dog and tried to pull the ball out of his mouth, but the dog held.

While they were having their little tug-of-war in the outfield, Egan was dog trotting around the bases and scored a home run, winning the game for Olean, 4 to 3.

DIAMOND NOTES

Mike Remon is doing good work for the Reds.

Carl Mays never was in better trim in his life than right now.

Herb Hall, the Kansas City pitcher, is suffering from a bad arm.

Baseball pools will not be allowed to operate in Cleveland this season.

Ed Konetchy, formerly of the Braves, is now a member of the Brooklyn club.

Fabrique, the former association player, will play with the Seattle club this season.

McGraw thinks he has a great young pitcher in Jesse Winters. The youngster is quick to learn.

The McHenry who is pitching for Sacramento and doing it quite well is a California youth, a former collegian.

Southworth, former A. A. player, now with the Pittsburghs, will occupy the cleanup position for the Pirates this season.

Tim Hendryx, former big leaguer, now with the Colonels, will be a power for the club this season if early games are any criterion.

With the advent of Grover Hartley into the lineup of the Columbus Senators, he will be the only playing manager in the association.

Steve Yerkes has been appointed captain of the Indians by Manager Griffiths. Yerkes is one of the most brainy ball tossers in the association.

The Colonels have an Italian in their lineup in the person of Mike Crest. He has got to learn the fine points of the game but is eager to learn.

Baseball in New York state has stirred up some of the old spirit that kept the New York State League alive and there are hints of attempts to reorganize the circuit.

Baseball managers will stare back from the Shipbuilding League will be lying awake nights now trying to think of something they can put on the ball that will make it look like a rivet.

Nick Cullen, pitcher secured by the St. Louis Browns last year in the big deal with the New York Yankees, but who refused to report, has been heard from to the effect that he may come back.

Walter Leverenz, southpaw pitcher on whom the Salt Lake club was de-

pending much for the coming season, has been discharged from military service, but does not seem inclined to return to baseball.

Ping Bodie is an old timer as ball players go, but he is mighty spry these days and a far better player than he gets credit for being. Ping just rattles off his money already.

Various Alphabets. There is quite a difference in the number of letters in the alphabets of the languages of the world. The English language contains 26 letters; the French, 29; the Italian, 29; the Spanish, 27; the German, 26; the Slavonic, 27; the Russian, 41; the Latin, 22; the Greek, 24; the Hebrew, 22; the Arabic, 28; the Persian, 32, and the Turkish, 33.

Eyeless Oysters. The oyster has a good-sized stomach, which is congealed with the mouth by a short gullet; two pairs of gills for breathing, an intestine, a dark green liver, a two-chambered heart and an elementary nervous system, but it lacks ears, nose and eyes. It also lacks the footlike appendage that many mollusks possess for the reason that it has no need of an organ of locomotion.

Named From Saint's Day. On the tenth of April, 1534, Jacques Cartier sailed from France with two small ships and 122 men to found a colony in North America. In May he arrived in Newfoundland. Cartier entered the Newfoundland waters in the bay of St. Lawrence, and called the spot St. Lawrence in honor of the patron saint of that day.

Comets and Stars. Comets are erratic members of the solar system moving in orbits. Stars may be classified as fixed stars and planets, the planets revolving about the sun, while the position of the fixed stars relative to other heavenly bodies seems unvarying.

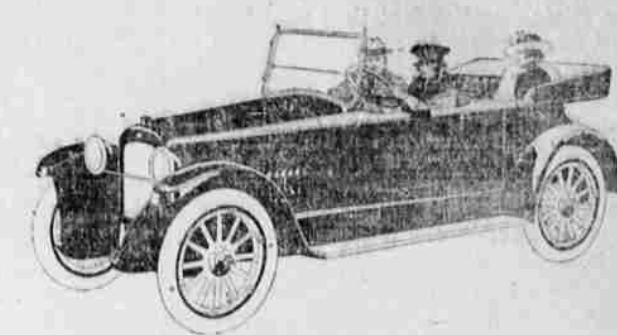
Have Record for Laziness. The Todas of India are said to be the laziest people in the world. The men of the household club together to take one wife to support, and then they let her do the work. The Todas have reduced the simple life to the formula: Do only what you must, and very little of that.

Founding of Siberia. In 1582 Yermak, a Cossack chieftain with chosen warriors set out to subdue a powerful Tartar tribe east of the Urals. Tsar Ivan IV sent orders for the expedition to return. But it was too late; Yermak and his men entered the city of Sibir, the stronghold of the Tartar chief, and this city became the nucleus of Siberia.

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Bank holidays alternate with business days within the present week, just enough to tease bank employees, office hands and business men who are planning to go fishing. Friday, Memorial day, is a legal holiday, followed by a short business day Saturday. Then Sunday intervenes, with Monday, the first of the week and the opening of a new month, marking a rush day. Tuesday, election day, will be a bank holiday, followed by Wednesday, June 4, a regular business day, when normal times will be the order again.

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Ray Chapman.

SUNDAY BALL HELPS

Sunday baseball in New York will be a boon to the organized sport this season. With the regularity of professional games in the metropolitan district, the American League will have six clubs in cities that permit Sabbath contests, while the National will have five. Sunday games mean much to baseball, for while patronage fell to a low ebb last summer, expenses related to lofty heights and few clubs finished with a profit.

French Fort Regal Trade.

While Havre was still young the seafaring men of Honfleur conquered Newfoundland, founded Quebec and established numerous trading posts in India. Much of the town's commerce was gradually absorbed by Havre. At the outbreak of the great war, however, Honfleur had a prosperous export trade with England in dairy products, fruits and vegetables, and a considerable quantity of lumber was imported direct from the Scandinavian countries.

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