

BURNS HEADING MISSION PLAYERS

Ex-Big League Star Es-says to Usher Team Into Coast Championship.

By Sherman Montrose (SEA Service Writer)

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 9 (AP)—De-livering the Missions into the prom-ised land of championship class is the task taken over by George Burns. Because of the serious con-clusion of Wade Kilmer, Burns was appointed manager of the Reds a few weeks ago and has started rounding out a club that he hopes will make a strong bid for the Pacific Coast league championship.

When Burns assumed command of the Missions they were a mis-erable aggregation. Since then he has strengthened considerably, with prospects of more bolstering as the Reds have two players coming from the New York Giants in the deal that gave them Harry Rosenberg last summer.

Add Summa to Outfield
Newcomers since Burns was in-stalled as manager are Outfielders Pete Scott and Homer Summa and Pitcher Augie Walsh. Scott was purchased from Jersey City. Summa was obtained from Portland in a trade for Fred Berger, also a flycatcher, and Walsh was bought from Balti-more.

With the acquisition of Scott and Summa, the Missions will boast one of the best hitting outfields in the league. "Completing this trio is none other than Missouri's talkative son, Irving 'Fuzzy' Huff."

For utility outfield purposes Burns has Ernie Kelly, a young-ster with possibilities.

Mound Staff Includes Vets
If Walsh can regain his 1929 form, when he ranked as one of the best right-handed pitchers in the league while with Los An-geles, there will be a big load off Burns' mind. Walsh, the Pil-lettes brother, Herman and Ted, Bert Cole, Charles Biggs, Charles Lieber and Carl Holling are fig-ured on as regular starters by Burns. Of the new paper, he doesn't loom as the strongest mound staff in the circuit but Burns is confident it will function in perfect order.

The Pillettes and Cole are tried and true veterans. Biggs and Lieber are up and coming youngsters, and Holling is staging a comeback.

As Burns intends to carry about 30 pitchers, at least for the first few weeks of the campaign, Merton Nelson, Jack Knott, George Caster, Raymond Darrough and Lloyd John-son are being considered for the other three berths. Nelson, Knott and Darrough are favored, with Burns farming Caster and Johnson to the Tucson club of the Arizona State league.

Brenzel Prospective Big-Leaguer
Burns doesn't have to lose any sleep over his catching department. It's one of the best in the circuit. Doing the bulk of the work will be Bill Brenzel, a brilliant prospect who should graduate to the majors next season. Freddie Hoffman, a cam-paigner with several seasons in the big show to his credit, will assist Bill. For third-string purposes Burns has William Sharpe, an 18-year-old lad who looms exceptionally good.

The Missions' starting infield, unless Burns secures a new talent for second and shortstop, will be composed of the manager at first base, Johnny Monroe at second, Bill Rodde at shortstop and Eddie Mul-ligan at third.

This is a veteran combination, but in it are two players who know how to slug the game. They are Burns and Monroe. Each batted around .350 last season. Mulligan ranked as one of the best third sack-ers in the league last season and there's no reason why he shouldn't resume that pace this year.

Dick Gyselman and Joe Coscarart, youngsters, may be retained as utility infielders.



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ARREST FOUR IN VIVIAN GORDON GARROTTING CASE

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Gordon's diary—the diary in which she set down her affairs of love and blackmail and fear.

The three—Stein, Levine and Greenhauer—denied knowing the names in her diary.

Two men and a woman identified Stein, police said, as having been in possession of a mink coat, a wrist watch and a chain the day after the murder. Similar articles were stolen from Miss Gordon.

Another bit of evidence against Stein, police said, was the appearance in the Gordon diary of the names "Harry Sanders" and "Sol Lubin," both of which Stein admitted are aliases he has used.

The Vivian Gordon murder case is the most recent of the series involv-ing women who had figured in the misty Broadway night life, none of which had been solved. The Dorothy King case is probably the best known of the unsolved "Broadway butterfly" cases.

The immediate thought upon the discovery of Vivian Gordon's body was that her murder had been done to silence her threatened testimony in the police vice squad investigation. She had written Isidor J. Kreisel, the prosecutor of the prob-ably shortly before her death, offering to testify.

Personal Vengeance Theory
The theory never gained great credence among investigators, some believed her death was the result of personal vengeance, and others sug-gested her alleged blackmailing activ-ity had brought about an accounting.

Private detectives were called into the case—an unusual procedure—the arrest of the men last night, how-ever, was made by police officers. Just who obtained the evidence on which the arrests were made, whether it was gotten by private detectives or members of the police department, was not revealed.

Vivian Gordon was bitter toward the police, especially vice squadsmen, because of her insistence that she had been "framed" and sentenced to the Bedford reformatory for girls in 1923. The charge was prostitution. She denied it, alleging her arrest fol-lowed an effort to extort money from her.

Her 16-year-old daughter, Benita Bischoff, killed herself, presumably from the notoriety that surrounded her mother.

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OATH GIVEN CERMAK; BIG BILL RESIGNS

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The mayor's resignation as pres-ident of the Cook county board was made public at noon.

Discharge Thousands
Simultaneously, Sprague and Busch issued orders to discharge several thousand temporary city hall depart-ment employees. They characterized their moves the "first step toward economy."

As Cermak passed through the doorway, onto the mat labelled "mayor's office," a vociferous demon-stration echoed through the halls that for the previous terms were tled by "Big Bill."

Only one of Thompson's office em-ployes still was in the mayor's cham-bers—a stenographer answering mes-sages from the former mayor's friends.

Cleaning Out Their Desks
Office holders spent yesterday cleaning out their desks at the city hall, getting ready for the influx of new officials. Meanwhile Thompson finished up his plans for a steamboat tour of inland rivers, starting today.

The official canvass showed Cermak the victor by 194,257 votes. The majority was more than 2,000 larger than was shown by the unofficial tabulation election night. The official vote was Cermak 671,189; Thompson 476,932.

"The bums who hang around the city hall are going to be swept right out," Cermak told interviewers yester-day. Almost simultaneously he told London newspaper men in a transatlantic telephone conversation that his advice to Alphonse Capone was for him to stay out of Chicago for the next four years.

A Word For Al Capone
"Capone is under sentence here."

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IMBLER HIGH DOWNS COVE TUESDAY, 9 - 2

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Smashing at last week's defeat at the hands of the Joseph team, Imbler came back strong to win from Cove Tuesday afternoon by the score of 9-2 in a game played between showers.

Imbler played stellar ball in the field, making three fast double plays and making but one error. Frizel was the hitting star for Imbler, getting three of Imbler's nine hits, one of them a triple, while Weimer clouted out a triple for Cove. Imbler will play Enterprise this Friday on the local diamond.

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Imbler..... 9 9 1
Anderson and Clark; Lewis and D. Fowler. Umpires, Keenan and Bush-man.

Twenty-five years ago
(From Observer, Tues., Apr. 10, 1906)
Terry Tuttle came up from Eight last evening and will spend the day here.

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