

BASEBALL STORY IS LIKE OLD ROMANCE

Joe McGinnity Once Scorned as Failure Even With Team of Minor Leaguers.

NEW DELIVERY IS FORTUNE

Relegated to Semi-Pro Company, Discovery Is Made Which Brings Fame in Majors—At 42 He Is Still Active Player.

FACTS ABOUT CAREER OF "IRON MAN" JOE MCGINNITY.

He will be 42 years old March 19, but is still active. He pitched in 46 games of ball in his first year. He pitched to Cyrus Young, he has won more games than any pitcher that ever lived. He signed the first American League contract when the 1901 outlaw organization entered the field. Kansas City released him outright in 1904 and Joe went into the saloon business in Peoria, figuring himself a failure. While in the semi-pro game, between 1894 and 1898, he discovered the effectiveness of the "underhand" style of delivery. Putting it in practice he made good with Peoria, Western League, in 1898, and was drafted by the Baltimore National League club for 1899. He made friends with Baltimore's catcher, Wilbert Robinson, explained his discovery to "Robbie" and enlisted the sympathy of the great catcher. He shut out the New York regulars in his first experiment with his underhand delivery and was for 10 years thereafter a star in the major leagues.

McGinnity's 16-Year Record.

Year	Team	W.	L.	Win. Pct.
1898	Montgomery (S. A.)	23	12	.657
1899	Kansas City (A. A.)	23	12	.657
1900	Peoria (W. L.)	23	12	.657
1901	Baltimore (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1902	Baltimore (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1903	Baltimore (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1904	New York (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1905	New York (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1906	New York (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1907	New York (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1908	New York (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1909	Newark (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1910	Newark (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1911	Newark (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1912	Newark (N. L.)	23	12	.657
1913	Tacoma (P. C.)	23	12	.657
1914	Tacoma (P. C.)	23	12	.657
Totals		415	207	.667

BY JOSEPH J. MCGINNITY.

(Owner Tacoma Tigers.) I was born in Rock Island, Ill., March 19, 1872, of honest, so necessarily poor, parents.

I played my first baseball of any consequence on a semi-pro team in Van Buren, Ark., in 1892. The following year was with the famous J. J. McCloskey in Montgomery, Ala. I was married in the Fall of this year to Mary Redpath, daughter of John Redpath, who had one of the best iron factories of the Southeast.

Have one daughter, 17 years old, who helps to keep me broke.

"Fired" by Jimmy Manning.

I was playing with Jimmy Manning in Kansas City in 1894, but pitched such poor ball I was released the first of June. I then moved to Springfield, Ill., and like a lot of other ambitious ballplayers, I expected to get rich in the saloon business. I played on a semi-pro team there up to the Spring of 1895. It was during these semi-pro days that I developed my famous underhand delivery.

I joined the Peoria club that year. In June I pitched and won a 21-inning game against St. Joe.

I was signed by Brooklyn in 1899 at a salary of \$150 a month. When reporting at training camp in Savannah, Ga., I found that McGraw had 14 pitchers there. This did not look very bright for a "rube" just from the bushes. I had made friends with big, good-natured Robinson, who, I think, was one of the greatest catchers that ever lived through a mask.

Made Friends With Robinson.

After the second day's workout I asked him to take a walk after dinner, as I had a question to ask him. I went into details about my delivery and told him I wanted his opinion whether or not it would be successful against big leaguers.

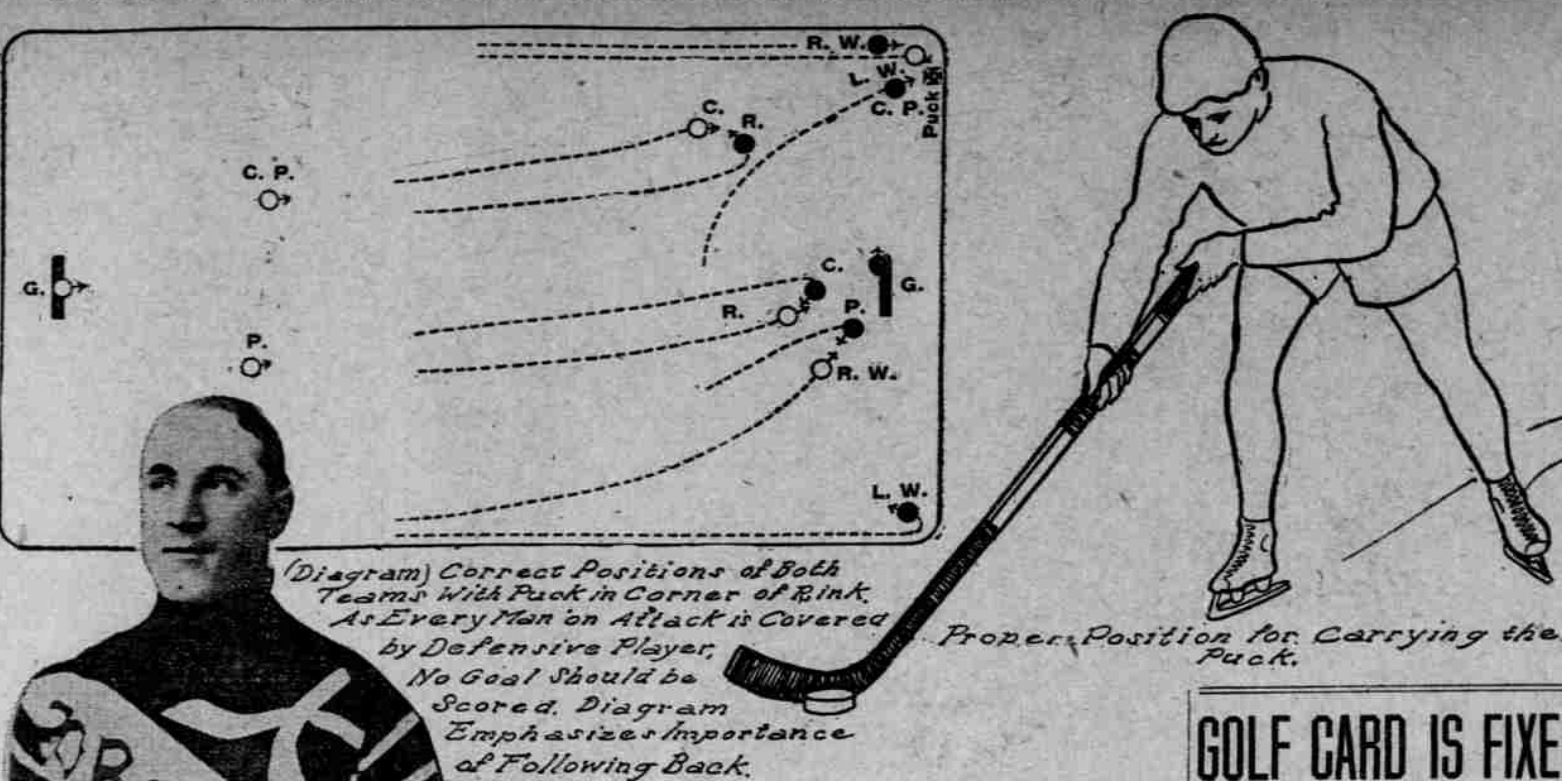
Next morning, at his suggestion, we both arrived at the park an hour before training time and I had a thorough workout with him. When McGraw arrived at the park Robinson challenged him for a game, \$50 a side. Robinson to take the second team, better known as the "Yanigans," but insisting that I pitch for his team. We started the game that afternoon and had the Regulars beat 7-0 in the seventh inning. McGraw broke the game up by chasing the reporter, acting as umpire, off the grounds, and would not agree to any other umpire. This game clinched my job on the club. I give all the credit to what success I have had to Wilbert Robinson, now manager of the Brooklyn National League club, who was open-minded and patient enough to help a youngster work out something new.

Brooklyn of 1900 Best Ever.

In 1900 the National League set down to eight clubs. I was sent to Brooklyn with Jimmy Sheppard and a few others. I think the Brooklyn club of 1900 was the greatest ever put together. It consisted of the following players: Farrell and McGuire, two great catchers; Jennings, first base; Daly, second; DeLeon, short; Cross, third; Kelly, Fielder Jones and Reeler, outfielders; Sheppard and DeMontreville, utility men; myself, Hughes, McJames, Kennedy, pitchers.

We beat Pittsburgh out of the pennant that year. The newspapers put up a big "fuss" that Pittsburgh had the best team. They put up a \$1000

CRACK DEFENSE PLAYERS OF PORTLAND COAST HOCKEY TEAM AND DIAGRAMS SHOWING SOME METHODS OF DEFENSE.



Moose Johnson, Coverpoint.

punchbowl for a post-series of five games and insisted that all be played in Pittsburgh. We won three out of four games played. I pitched two of the winning games, one against Rube Waddell, who was then in his prime.

Rare Honor From His Mates.

After the series the Brooklyn boys gave a banquet at the Monteville Hotel and made me a present of the punchbowl, which I consider one of the greatest honors ever conferred on a player by his fellows. I still retain it and prize it highly.

I was the first player to sign an American League contract. In other words, I was the "Joe Tinker" of the American League. McGraw used my contract to induce other players to jump back to Baltimore with himself and Robinson.

In 1901 John T. Brush bought the controlling interest in the Baltimore club. In the middle of the season of 1902 four players—McGraw, McGinn, Bresnahan and myself—were transferred to New York.

Won Nickname of "Iron Man."

In the month of August, in 1904, I won three double-headers, one against Boston in Boston, one against Philadelphia in New York and one against Brooklyn in New York, from which I derived the nickname, "Iron Man." I was with the New York club until the Spring of 1909. I then obtained my release through the influence of McGraw, who no doubt is the greatest manager who ever gave an umpire a batting order. He has more friends among ballplayers than any other manager.

My first National League game was the opening game in 1899 in Baltimore against New York. Meekin pitched for New York. We won, 4-0. My weight at that time was 160 pounds. At the present time it is hard to keep under 200.

VANCOUVER DEFEATS CAMAS

Van Atta Tosses Last Basket for Victory in 15-14 Thriller.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 23.—(Special.)—The Vancouver quintet defeated Camas High 15 to 14 in a thrilling game here last night, when Van Atta in the last minute of play tossed a basket. At the end of the first half the score was 8 to 8, and was tied twice. Van Atta starred for Vancouver, registering 11 points.

In a preliminary game the Vancouver High School Midgents won over Franklin School 24 to 8.

Debs to Speak in Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 23.—(Special.)—Eugene V. Debs, under the auspices of the National Ripsaw, a Socialist publication, will speak in the Rex Theater in this city January 26 at 8 o'clock.

Automobile Balmacans at half price during the last week that R. M. Gray is in his old location at Morrison and Fourth street.—Adv.



Charles Tobin, Point.

HOCKEY PLAYS TOLD

Defense as Necessary as Attack, Asserts "Moose."

PARALLEL PLAN IS ONE

Uncle Sam's Method of Protecting Goalkeeper Requires Point and Coverpoint to Stay in Line Away From Goal.

BY ERNEST "MOOSE" JOHNSON, Cover Point Portland Uncle Sams.

While every hockey game is won by some form of an attack, it is just as essential to have a deadly form of defense to back up the forwards. The Portland Uncle Sams are no exception and one thing we practice is our method of protecting Goalkeeper Mitchell from being forced to extend himself too often.

Practically all the defense work falls on the shoulders of the point and coverpoint, and it is up to them to keep the puck away from the goal as much as possible. There is little difference in the defense duties of the two positions.

In days gone by it used to be the style to have the cover point meet the attack well out in front of the goal and then place the point almost on top of the net. This has proved ineffective against teams which have a sensational combination attack.

Parallel Defense Played.

We play what is known as the parallel defense and to play this with the best results both defense men must play quite a distance from the goal, but on a parallel line. The distance between them should be so regulated that no forward of the opposition can slip between them with the puck.

At times during the game the best thing to do is to have the cover point take the puck up the rink himself and get it out of dangerous territory. That is one reason why I often break away from my teammates and deposit the rubber disc near our opponents' goal. As soon as I do that my first impulse is to rush back to my regular position and let the forwards do the work of scoring the points.

Although the duties of the point and coverpoint are almost identical, both players never should attack the same forward. Should this be done it is possible for the man to slip the puck to his teammate, who has nothing but the goalkeeper in the way of a score. When the coverpoint rushes at the oncoming opponent, the duty of the point is to cover a pass or check the man who receives it. When the puck goes into the corner of the rink it is not wise for both players to rush after it, as this leaves the goal unprotected save for the goalkeeper.

In a close contest, when a team is behind and doing all in its power to tie the score, it is always good playing to place the point and coverpoint well up behind their forward line. By this move it is possible to aid the fast-weakening line, and it is at this time that the point or coverpoint can slip in the winning score.

Playing Safe Is Best.

When the team is ahead it is best to play dead safe and watch every move made by the opposing forwards. One of the most important duties placed in the hands of two defense players is to work with the forwards in getting the puck out of the corner into the opponents' territory. If the puck is in the corner, it is then that generally make the wide sweep behind my own goal, for it affords me all the chance in the world to gain terrific speed.

EVERS HAS CHARGE IN KICK

Electricity in Body Stops Watch of Umpire and Protest Goes On.

Many baseball fans have noticed that when an umpire pulls his watch on Johnny Evers the little second baseman does not quit kicking, but goes along just as if no time limit had been put on his protests. Many have laid this seeming temerity to the bravery of Evers, but there is apparently another reason, if the following story from a Middle Western newspaper may be believed. This is it:

"Johnny Evers cannot keep a watch going, because his body is so full of electricity. Evers has been presented with several fine watches and they will not keep time when he carries them because of something in his physical makeup which prevents the timepiece from doing its job properly."

Now, in kicking, Evers gets as close as possible to the umpire and, being more electrical in his moods of protest than at any other time, he naturally throws the watch of the official out of his hands. In consequence the umpire does not know whether he is fast or slow and cannot go by his watch even when he takes it out.

Dick Warner, at one time catcher on the New York Giants, has been engaged to coach the Fordham baseball team for the next six months. Dick Rudolph, of the Braves, will assist Warner with the pitchers until time to leave for the South.

GOLF CARD IS FIXED

Panama-Pacific Fair Schedule Is Announced.

APRIL 19 IS FIRST DATE

Plan as Given Out by Committee Chairman Is Only Tentative and Will Be Changed to Meet Convenience of Players.

The golf committee of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, through its chairman, Charles Templeton Crocker, recently announced the principal event of the 1915 schedule. Most of the championships under the auspices of the exposition committee will be played between April 19 and May 8, on the links of the San Francisco Golf and Country Club, the Presidio Golf Club and the Sequoia Country Club.

The schedule, as arranged, is only tentative, subject to change as necessity may arise. It calls for the cooperation of all the clubs on the Pacific Coast. The committee hopes to make the coming tourney one of the greatest ever held west of the Rocky Mountains, and already plans are being made to have some of the best Eastern amateurs and professionals attend in full force.

Following is the preliminary schedule:

Men's Amateur Championship. On the Ingleside Links—Monday, April 19—Qualifying round, over 36 holes; 64 to qualify. Tuesday, April 20—First and second rounds, match play over 18 holes. Wednesday, April 21—Third round over 36 holes. Thursday, April 22—Fourth round over 36 holes. Friday, April 23—Semi-finals over 36 holes. Saturday, April 24—Final round over 36 holes.

P. F. L. E. Men's Foursomes.

On the Presidio Links—Sunday, April 25—Two-ball foursome (amateur and professional) scratch, over 24 holes.

P. F. L. E. Men's Matches.

On the Ingleside Links—Monday, April 26—Interclub team match (five men to a team) over 36 holes, medal play.

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P. F. L. E. Women's Championship.

On the Ingleside Links—Sunday, May 2—Qualifying round over 18 holes; 32 to qualify. Tuesday, May 4—First round match play, 18 holes.

Men's Handicap Tournament.

On the Presidio Links—Sunday, May 9 (A. M.)—Qualifying round over 18 holes, medal play. To qualify in flights of 16, number of flights to be announced later by the executive committee of the tournament.

May 9 (P. M.)—First round match play over 18 holes, handicap.

Monday, May 10 (P. M.)—Second round over 18 holes, handicap.

Tuesday, May 11 (P. M.)—Semi-finals over 18 holes.

Wednesday, May 12—Final round over 36 holes.

P. S.—There will be "defeated eight" trophies for each flight.

Women's Tournament.

(Handicap.)—Tuesday, May 11—Qualifying round over 18 holes, medal play. Flights of eight, number of flights to be determined later by the committee.

Wednesday, May 12—First round match play over 18 holes, handicap.

Thursday, May 13—Semi-finals over 18 holes.

Friday, May 14—Finals over 36 holes.

Northern Championship.

(California Men's.)—On the Claremont Links—Saturday, May 15, Sunday, May 16, Saturday, May 22, Sunday, May 23—Qualifying round and match play rounds to be arranged by the Northern California executive committee.

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(California Women's.)—On the Claremont Links—Monday, May 17, Tuesday, May 18, Wednesday, May 19, Thursday, May 20, Friday, May 21—Qualifying round and match play rounds to be arranged by the Northern California executive committee in addition to other special events to be announced later. Other tournaments will be arranged by the

---"LOOKING AT THE CLOCK ISN'T GETTING UP"

TO JIMMY DUNN'S UPSTAIRS CLOTHES SHOP.

—don't you think it's high time that you "wake up" to your opportunity? —If you've got a little "get-up" in you, take the elevator in the Oregonian building and "get-up" to my ready-made clothes shop. —I'll show you a complete line of men's and young men's ready-made suits, overcoats and balmacans at \$14.75 that will agreeably surprise you—I really give values. —New names are being added daily to my long list of satisfied customers—are you going to be one of them? —"get-up," Mr. man—I'm ready to serve you.

315-16-17 Oregonian building. jimmy dunn "the clothier you ought to know."

BRIDGEPORT MARKSMEN LEAD

Tacoma Rifle Club Defeated by Marion in Fifth Week's Match.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Bridgeport passed Cleveland and reached first

various clubs, to be played subsequently on the links of the Marin Golf and Country Club, Berkeley Country Club, Menlo Golf and Country Club, Burlingame Country Club, San Jose Country Club, Santa Cruz Golf and Country Club and Del Monte Golf and Country Club.

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