

SELECT CHUCKERS FOR OPENING DAY

NEW YORK, April 2.—(AP)—Thought of opening nominations for major league pitching burdens has occupied managers as the baseball scene shifts from south to east.

One change in the program has been ordered by fate. Walter Johnson, who has pitched the opener in 16 of his 21 years with the Washington Senators, is out for a matter of weeks on account of an injury, and Stanley Coveleskie will draw the first assignment.

His opponent probably will be Bryan Harris, long and lean star of the Boston Red Sox. Cleveland will send Emil Levens against the Chicago with the likely White Sox selection Ted Blankenship.

Connie Mack definitely has decided to order left handed fast ones and curves only slightly less fast, delivered by Bob Grove, against the Yankees, who will doubtless call on Urban Shocker to toss his spitball on opening day.

The St. Louis Browns will lose no time in calling on "Sad Sam" Jones to earn his money, and the former Yankee is in a receptive mood to do the first pitching of the year for Dan Howley. Earl Whitehill, southpaw, has an edge in Detroit calculations for the day.

John J. McGraw has made no announcement, but the burly Grimes is being prepared for some game and it may be the first.

It would not be surprising to see Grover Cleveland Alexander start the season for the Cardinals. He is equal to it after his busiest spring in years. All the Brooklyn pitchers are in shape, and Wilbert Robinson can draw a name out of a hat if he chooses, with Dazzy Vance a likely selection. The same situation applies to the Cincinnati Reds, with Pat Donohue the probable choice.

The Philadelphia Nationals will be represented by Carlson, their ace, and the Chicago Cubs may choose between Guy Bush and Charlie Root. The Pirates may warm up both Ray Kremer and Lee Meadows.

WILLAMETTE BASEBALL TEAM SHOWS PROMISE

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showing up well in practice, and Kaufman is a capable receiver. Ellis, the third man on the mound staff, has not yet reached the effectiveness of which he is capable.

The infield combination looks good with Welch at first base, Dietz on second, McMullin holding down the short patch and Girard at the hot corner.

The outfield has not been selected, due to a wealth of material. Some possibilities are Ashby, Hauk, Hawley, Versteeg and Roundtree, but there are others equally promising.

CARDS "BIG FOUR" CONFIDENT OF REPEATING



Strong in the belief that they have an even better team than the one that copped the World Series last fall the St. Louis Cardinals are hard at it training at Avon Park, Fla., for the opening of the 1927 season. The "Big Four" of the team are shown above. They are, left to right, Coach Bill McKechnie, Manager Bob O'Farrell, and Coach Allan Sothoron. Grover Alexander, the hero of the team, is warming up.

PLAYERS SHUFFLED IN MAJOR LEAGUES

(By Brian Bell)

NEW YORK, April 2.—(AP)—If any baseball fan followed the example of Rip Van Winkle and fell asleep on the closing day of the 1926 season he has a rude shock awaiting him. He will need a guide when he sits up to take notice on the opening day of the 1927 season.

No one who has failed to read the papers during this winter of managerial discontent will recognize many of the major league clubs by their players when the new season gets under way.

Eight of the 16 managers have been displaced and the overturn in playing talent has been on a correspondingly active basis. Even the umpires have tiff the blast.

If George Moriarity was Rip's favorite umpire this will be the first shock, for George, the song writer, has doffed the umpire's blue to don the gray of Detroit, where he is perched in the driver's seat. Promotion of McCallister from coach to manager at Cleveland and the conferring of the title of manager along with catcher for Schalk in the Chicago

White Sox camp, will be other revelations.

If Rip wants to know what has become of Cobb, Collins and Tris Speaker, all managers when he went to sleep, he will have to look to the Athletics and Washington. Ty and Eddie joining Connie Mack, while Tris was moving to the Senators to lend Clark Griffith and Bucky Harris a hand.

The major league fan who has been dreaming of pennant fights will recognize the new St. Louis Browns' manager, for Dan Howley was once a Detroit coach, but he will have to look among the coaches for two former managers. Art Fletcher, late of Philadelphia, now with the Yankees, and Bill McKechnie, taking up as Cardinal coach where he left off as Pittsburgh manager.

A search among Pittsburgh players for McInnis will be useless for Stuffy is master minding with the Phillies.

The great shock for the baseball enthusiast coming up for air will be his first glimpse of the New York Giants. He will see Rogers Hornsby at second base, Eddie Roush and George Harper in the outfield and Burleigh Grimes as pitcher.

Frisch will be missing, but may be found at St. Louis along with Ring. John Scott will be warming up to pitch in Philadelphia.

Rip will think he has waked up ten years back when he sees Bill Carrigan directing the play of the Boston Red Sox, and although he will recognize Donie Bush managing Pittsburgh, he never saw him before in a National league uniform.

He will rub his eyes when he glimpses Zack Wheat in the colors of the Athletics and may decide that he is seeing things when he finds Aaron Ward and Roger Peckinpaugh, last together with the Yankees, on display in White Sox uniforms.

Expecting to see Marty McManus with the Browns this baseball Enoch Arden will find him with Detroit, and O'Rourke and Mullin gone to St. Louis. Henline with Brooklyn will be no greater shock than George Kelly with Cincinnati.

He will wonder again when he sees the "B" on Jacques Fournier's shirt stands for Boston and not Brooklyn.

A peep into the Yankee dugout will not show the face of Sad Sam Jones, but he may be found doing his smiling with the Browns. This will account for how Durst and Giard got in there with Miller Huggins.

Rip will think that Joe Harris has lost his way when he finds him at Pittsburgh but will know that Washington did not leave him there two years ago.

A call on Bill Killifer and Otto Williams will be useless when the Cardinals are in St. Louis, but Rip can see them both if he waits until the Browns come home.

SALEM HIGH PLANNING FAST TEAM IN PARADE

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sack. Ashby is developing into one of the best hitters on the squad.

The outfield will be cared for by Edward Seigmund, Robert Drager, Scotty Marr, and Clayton

Foreman, who are experienced fielders and competent hitters.

First base will be protected by Harold Olinger who played all last season in that position.

The baseball schedule is being arranged by Dwight Adams but no early season games have been booked as yet. Several games in the latter part of the season have been lined up.

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YANKEE OARSMAN HERO ON THAMES

PUTNEY, England, April 2.—(AP.)—A long, lean Yankee oarsman almost pulled the Oxford crew to a victory over Cambridge university in their 79th annual boat race here this afternoon. But the supreme effort of H. T. "Ox" Kingsbury, captain of Yale's undefeated crew of last year, was not enough, and Cambridge took the eight-oared classic for the fourth consecutive year.

Cambridge won by three lengths. The winning time over the 4 1/4-mile course from Putney to Mortlake was 20 minutes, 14 seconds.

Kingsbury was the hero of an exciting race, although he rowed in the losing boat and with a crew that was conceded little chance to win. The former Yale star steadied the dark blue entry, held their

efforts together, and by his own mighty muscles carried them through to a creditable finish even though several of his companions were in a state of collapse.

For two miles it was a ding-dong race and then Oxford's four bow oars began to lose power. Their substitute stroke had been in the varsity boat for only a fortnight and, while he made a gallant effort in the crisis, he lacked technique and endurance.

It was then that Kingsbury gave an exhibition of oarsmanship that staggered spectators. With cries of encouragement, he spurred his colleagues to renewed efforts and himself supplied the power which the weakening of his companions had removed from his side of the boat.

Through the third mile the race continued neck and neck. But even Kingsbury's rowing could not keep pace with the smoothly strok-

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