

New Ball Managers Assume Duties of Much Importance

NEW YORK, March 5. (Copyright 1927 by U. N. I.)—Bob O'Farrell predicts that the St. Louis Cardinals will repeat their triumphs of 1926. Owen Bush says the Pittsburgh Pirates will be in the race from start to finish. George Moriarity declares the Detroit Tigers mean business and Dan Howley is confident that the St. Louis Browns will fight.

In exclusive statements to the United Press the first batch of new major league managers thus expressed their hopes for the coming season.

The big leagues have never before undergone such a series of managerial shake-ups as took place this winter. No fewer than eight clubs have been placed in charge of new pilots and it is largely upon how they fulfill their duties that the final standing in the two major circuits depends. The outstanding stars of baseball, Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb, Tris Speaker and Rogers Hornsby have not been furnished the newcomers to assist them in the pennant races. For the most part, the new managers have some showing of talent. How they expect to accomplish this, what changes they plan, and where they hope to finish are told by the first four of the new pilots in the following statements sent from their respective training camps to the United Press:

Bob O'Farrell, manager of the St. Louis Cardinals: After a week's work in our training camp at Avon Park, with the pitchers and catchers I feel safe in saying that the Cardinals will repeat their 1926 triumph in the National league pennant race and in the world's series this year.

In making this prediction I am hopeful that Outfielders Ray Blades and Chick Hafey will be available. Blades is not himself right now as a result of the injury to his knee, suffered last August, but he has been taking light work and is getting along fine. I hope he will be ready when the season opens. Hafey reports that the sinus trouble which bothered him in the world's series is improved. Considerable depends upon the condition of Blades and Hafey.

It is my opinion that the Cards, in two departments, will be improved over the start of the 1926 season.

Frank Snyder, late of the Giants, will give us the added strength needed behind the plate, while I am looking to Jimmy Ring, another former New Yorker, to be one of our star pitchers, to bolster up our twirling staff. We also will have Alexander from the start.

The old boy is in great condition. Rogers Hornsby is a great player. None dare dispute that fact. But in Frankie Frisch we have his equal if not his superior, as a fielder, even though Frisch is not as great a long hitter.

The morale of the club is splendid. The boys believe they will repeat and that is a great asset.

Owen J. Bush, manager Pittsburgh Pirates: I feel confident that I have been given charge of a ball club which is a real pennant contender and one that should be in the race from start to finish. The greatest asset of my club is speed and I intend taking full advantage of it.

My particular problems on the training trip are:

1—Finding a lead off man.

2—Developing one first rate pitcher among the recruits.

3—Working out a satisfactory solution as to who is to play second base, Rhyne or Cronin.

The last is perhaps the most important of the three but we should be ready to jump into the thick of the pennant fight on April 12.

Dan P. Howley, manager St. Louis Browns: The best hope I have for the Browns for the coming season, a hope I am sure will be fulfilled, is that the club will fight.

It is impossible to tell how the St. Louis Browns will finish. I cannot say, nor can anyone else. I do know that we expect to be troublesome and when a ball club is of that type anything good can happen. My problems, like those of all the other new managers, are many.

Several new men must be fitted in as parts of our 1927 machine.

George Sisler, I expect to have his greatest season. In my infield will be two, possibly three new men. I am sure that Fred Schulte, my new outfielder from Milwaukee, will be a great star, but he might be hurt and my calculations thus thrown out. Sam Jones, late of the Yankees, will help my club, as will Walter Stewart, the young left-hander I brought from Toronto.

Just put the Browns down as fighters. After all, the pennant issue must be decided on the ball field.

Bill Carrigan, manager Boston Red Sox—I am in a peculiar position as regards prospects and prophecies as I have not seen any of my players in action. A month from now I should know more. I am thoroughly satisfied with Heinemann Park as a training field and consider it the best I have seen for spring workouts.

A Comeback's Chances Depend On How Far He Has Been



By NORMAN E. BROWN

This is going to be quite a year for comebacks, including those of us who have just made the last payment on the new car and are now ready to tackle something else.

There are two kinds of comebacks in the sport game—mental and physical. The mental comebacks are always successful. I never saw an old timer yet who wasn't sure, not only that he could comeback but that he was already half way to his old place in the vestibule of fame.

But the physical comebacks aren't so common. In fact the difference between the number of those who think they can come back and those who do arrive is so great that the list of failures reads like the Civil war casualty list.

And then there are serious comebacks and humorous ones, and some that sound serious at the start and turn out to be big laughs. Now there is Benny Leonard for instance. Benny says he is going to break his promise to his mother, his booking agent and the beauty specialists and re-enter the ring in quest of the welterweight and middleweight titles.

He has been out of the game two years, confining his activities to a song and dance act. The roughest service his face has seen in that time has been a few wicked jabs from a grease pencil.

His fighting has been confined to one-round victories over enticing French pastries.

Heeds No Warning

But now he plans to come back. This despite the miserable effort of Jack Dempsey and those who

European Defeats Billiard Champion

WASHINGTON, March 5. (U.P.)—Willie Hoppe, defending 18.2 ball line billiard title holder, last night met his first Waterloo in the fourth round of the eleven day tourney when Felix Grange, European champion, defeated him 400 to 384 in 13 innings.

For the first time in his long career as ruler of the 15.2 ranks Hoppe was erratic and appeared temperamental, although at times his shooting was spectacular.

Grange took the lead in the first two innings, but soon lost it to Hoppe. At the end of the eleventh inning the defending champion had 384 points to Grange's 311. Grange made high runs of 184, 41 and ended the game on an uncompleted run of 57. Hoppe made high runs of 156, 71 and 78. His highest run came in the fifth inning when he again took the lead from his opponent.

Grange has lost two games and won one.

Today Eric Hagenlacher, German star, meets Welker Cochran of California. Both are undefeated in the tourney. In the evening session Kinney Matsuyama, midjet Japanese champion, will meet Jake Schaefer, who is favored to win.

Intimate Builders Work With Boozers

PORTLAND, March 5. (U.P.)—Portland dry officers are wondering if builders are aiding bootleggers in their evasion of the law. This big question-mark results from the large number of cleverly hidden stills found on places which distillers are renting.

All sorts of secreted stills have been found, with underground passages, stills in cistern-like rooms with special ventilating arrangements and in between walls in the basements.

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have gone before. Not only that, but he plans to come back in a strange class—at a poundage he has never carried before. And he still believes he will have his dazzling speed and skill.

Then there is Bill Tilden, king of the tennis world for six years. Dethroned by Rene La Costa, French flash, last year, Bill hopes to regain his throne again. He is not an idle hope. It is rather a defiance hurled at Father Time. Tilden faces the long road back at an age when he may well be called through. He has played wonder tennis for better than 19 years—a pace that should check his speed by this time.

With the younger Vincent Richards (his only rival) out of the way by virtue of his professional venture, Tilden may well feel that he can come back as far as regaining his American laurels. In fact he is still king of Uncle Sam's netters. It was the invasion of the French stars that halted his reign, the Europeans sending him down to defeat as early as last spring.

So it may be this year. Tilden may crash his way through American competition, but the French menace looms stronger than ever by virtue of the fact that La Costa, Borotra, Brugnon, Cochet and Landry are all young men—approaching the zeniths of their careers.

In baseball the ranks of the "comeback" hopefuls are crowded. Sam Jones, "Sad Sam," who helped the New York Yankees win three pennants in a row, but who seemed to have lost his grip last season, joins the list. Having been traded to the Browns Samuel has taken a new lease on life and hopes to be a regular on the Brown squad.

Frank Snyder, veteran catcher of the Giants is another. Sent to the St. Louis Cardinals by the Giants last season he refused to report. Now, however, he has been re-instated by Judge Landis and hopes to "make the grade" with the world's champions. The fact that the team may split another series melon did not, of course, enter into his change of heart.

And then there is Charley Robertson, former White Sox pitching sensation.

Soars to the Heights

On April 30, 1922, Charley, then a rookie with the Chicago White

Sox, stepped into the box almost an unknown, to pitch against the Detroit Tigers. He emerged a member of the select immortals who have pitched no-hit, no-run, no-man-reach-first games.

Twenty-seven men faced him and went back to the bench.

The baseball world apparently lay at his feet. But somehow Fate, kind to him for a moment, became scornful. While he did pitch some good games for the Sox he never quite came up to expectations. Eventually he was allowed to drift to the St. Louis Browns. He failed to find himself there and was dropped to the minors.

The Boston Braves acquired him in the draft last fall from Milwaukee. Now he hopes to do a comeback with the Bostonians.

Fans are always with these comeback hopefuls when they are in earnest.

Pelican Hoopsters Defeat Cardinals

Pelican Bay hoopsters forged ahead another notch on their way to victory in the Spud and Timber League last night on Veterans Memorial floor when they defeated the Cardinals in a fast game 32 to 19.

Wenner and Bradley were high point men for Pelicans and Cardinals. Ernest Heiken of Henley was referee. Vernon Moore, umpire.

There was one substitution made during the entire game when Walsh of the Cardinals went in as guard for Babcock.

Finals in the Spud and Timber League will be played Monday night in Vets building when the Pelicans and Henley clash as a window to the Port Klamath and Agency game. Andy Collier, president of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, will present the winner's cup next Saturday night when all teams in the league attend a dinner in the Marshall House.

Line up and scores at last night's game include:

Pelicans—	Cardinals—
Hollis (4)	F. Bradley (8)
Wenner (13)	F. P. Babcock (4)
Peterson (2)	G. Svenson (6)
Benson (6)	G. Molatore
Martz (1)	G. G. Babcock (1)

If you know of any game violations, call phone 584. All information will be strictly confidential.

New Rules Adopted Touching Football

NEW YORK, March 5. (U.N.I.)—The chief changes in football rules advanced today by the rules committee follow:

A penalty of 15 yards for having a man in motion when a ball is passed.

Officials may count "one, two, three, four" to measure period players must be at a "dead stop" after a shift and before ball is passed.

Captain may call time, but three times each half.

A team may be penalized if it stays in huddle more than 15 seconds or delays more than 30 seconds before putting ball in play.

A backward pass, if fumbled, will still belong to the side making pass, except on fourth down, when goes to other side at point where first touched ground.

The goalposts will be removed to end of line of end zone 10 yards back of touchdown line, adding 10 yards to all kicks for goal.

UNUSUAL SCENERY FEATURE OF FILM

There's a wealth of Western scenery in "The Overland Stage," starring Ken Maynard, which comes to the Liberty theatre today.

The first National company journeyed first to Deadwood, S. D., where the great pageant and celebration of "The Days of '76," was filmed as a cognate part of the story.

The celebration, held in August, was on a particularly impressive scale this year, because of the fact that it was the semi-centennial of the days that Deadwood celebrates. Of course, the beautiful scenery of the Black Hills was utilized to the fullest extent.

After returning from South Dakota and working a few weeks in the studio, the company traveled a much shorter way to Hollywood, in southern California, where the picture was finished. It is recognized by every up to date producer that trips like these return more than their cost in the added beauty and appeal of the picture.

Bike Race Proves of Much Interest

NEW YORK, March 5. (U.N.I.)—Now comes the week of racing men, when that strange cousin of sport, the six-day bike race, will furnish the answer to why father fails to come home.

Hardly will the last blow have been struck in the prize ring before the first blow of the hammer, starting construction of the fine saucer for the six-day grind, will ring through Madison Square Garden.

At 11 p. m. Sunday the riders are off on their lone whirl in the race which is at once the most tedious and the most exciting, the most inexplicable and the most human of indoor sports.

Certainly, for all its lack of aesthetic appeal, the six-day bike race draws more people, for a longer period of time, than any other attraction of the winter.

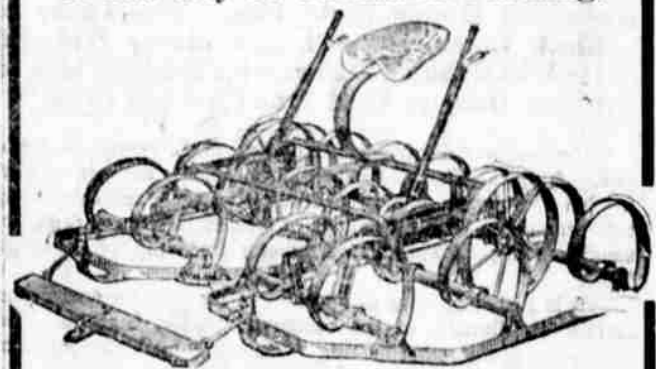
Medford Bowlers Clash Here Today

The biggest bowling event of the winter season will be staged on the Elks bowling alleys here this afternoon when two crack teams from Medford invade the Klamath territory for a brace of games.

The visiting teams, five-men each, are representing the Medford Elks and the Nipponia Alloys at Medford, and will be met here by the local R. P. O. E. first team, and the R. H. R. garage experts.

The Klamath Falls teams will go to Medford for a return match next Sunday, according to Manager Lindsay of the local alleys. The Masked Marvel, sensational bowler who is touring the Pacific coast and successfully meeting all comers, will appear on the Elks alleys here April 9, Lindsay stated.

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