

FINAL SOUTHEASTERN CLINIC DUE MARCH 3

COMPLETION OF CIRCUIT SET BACK BY DELAYS OF TWO KEY CITIES

Montgomery and Columbus Seek Backing of Major Clubs Before Entering; Other Six Towns Ready to Go

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MORNING GLORES That Bloom in Spring AND Shrink Away Like EASTER LILIES

Managers as Well as Scribes Often Fooled by Training Camp Form of Youngsters

Pitchers Frequently Assist in Failures by Finding Weaknesses

Many Seasoned Players Have Faded Out Like the Rawest Rookie When Confidence Failed; Kress, Whitney and Hurst Recent Examples

By FREDERICK G. LIEB WITHIN another week, the crack of the busy bat will ring in training camps scattered from the coast of Florida to Catalina, the magic isle off the mainland of Southern California.

The impetuous young baseball writer will dash to his portable and employing the adjectives of a moving picture press agent, he will regale his readers back home with stories of the greatest work of the season since Ty Cobb has made his appearance in the baseball firmament.

Of course, even the wise ones are fooled. In his Jacksonville training camp of 1930 Miller Huggins had a young outfielder by the name of Frank Gleich.

It was an interesting camp. Babe Ruth was making his first appearance as a Yankee, and Huggins had two other talented youngsters. More often, it was the greatest hitting outfielders New York ever has seen.

Miller opened the season with Gleich in right field. He stuck until we witnessed a double and was benched. He stuck that day and a substitute, was farmed out the next and after the Yankees let him go he never got any higher than Class B.

"Nearest Thing to Speaker" Hardly Lasted Past Opening Day WE HAD a somewhat familiar experience several years earlier with Walter Trumbull, formerly of the New York Evening Sun, and then an experienced baseball writer.

In justice to Walter, I will say that Trumbull was not a mediocre pitcher. In fact, they don't come any smarter. Connie Mack gave Don another trial several years after the Yankees turned him loose.

There was the case of Dode Criss, the pitching coach in 1910. Dode was a brassy Texan, got himself considerable renown by finishing ahead of Ty Cobb, at that time the perennial American League batting champion.

Harry Niles Schwitzer was another pair of Brownies of the McAleer period who had brief spurs of glory as hitting sensations. Niles really was a good

MAJOR FADEOUTS NOT AN EXCLUSIVE ROOKIE FAD

REMEMBER GEORGE STONE? IN 1906 HE LED THE AMERICAN LEAGUE IN BATTING WITH A MARK OF .358 AND THEN WENT INTO A RAPID DECLINE.

HE WONT HIT THE SIZE OF HIS HAT! HE COULDN'T HIT AN ELEPHANT WITH A HANDFUL OF SHOT!

SMEAD JOLLEY WAS A POOR FIELDER AND HAD TO DO A LOT OF HITTING TO COVER UP HIS SLOWNESS - BUT HIS HITTING DROPPED FROM .404 WITH FRISCO TO .280 WITH THE RED SOX - AND HE FADED AWAY.

Blue Ridge to Operate HAGERSTOWN, Md.—The Blue Ridge League is to return to organized ball on a six-day basis.

Rohe, a World's Series Hero, Couldn't Stick as Regular TALKING of brief busting sensations of that period, we must overlook George Rohe, the star of the World's Series.

Jolley Started Out Strong But Couldn't Keep Pace JOLLEY was a poor fielder and had to do a lot of hitting to cover up his slow ground-work.

Kress looked like one of the greatest shortstops since Wagner when he first came up with the Browns in 1928.

Whitney of the Braves is another player who has mislaid his punch in recent years. He was a sensation in his first three seasons with the Phillies, going as high as .349 in 1920.

DODE CRISS NIG. CLARKE HARRY NILES SCHWITZER KRESS SHIRES COMOROSKY SURET

LAUGH, SMART GUYS! FRANK GLEICH IS ANOTHER TY COBB AND TRIS SPEAKER ROLLED INTO ONE!

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GEORGE STONE WON THE 1906 WORLD SERIES FOR THE WHITE SOX WITH HIS HITTING - OWNER COMiskey WAVED ROHE WOULD BE A MEMBER OF THE SOX AS LONG AS HE LIVED - BUT HE FORGOT HOW TO HIT AND THE NEXT YEAR FOUND HIM WITH THE PELICAN IN NEW ORLEANS

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PRE-SEASON INJURY HAS TIGERS JITTERY

SOME FEAR ACCIDENT TO HAMLIN CARRIES ILL BODINGS

Pitcher Suffers Double Fracture of Left Arm in Auto Smash-Up; Cochrane Waits for Squad in Lakeland

ETROIT, Mich.—By the first of next week the advance squad of Tigers will be in training for the pennant fight they hope will be as successful as the last one.

Luke Hamlin, the lean pitcher, was to have departed along with Reber, Arthur Sheahan, road secretary, and Aloysius Jerome Egan, veteran scout, but has been delayed by an automobile wreck.

With 13 other pitchers on the roster, the Tigers are in position to get along without Hamlin until he fully recovers and works himself into shape.

Since last October, Cochrane has believed that at least one of the five will win a batting title in the Florida circuit.

Four Benefit From Advance Work. Marberry and Bridges have gained a running start in the Florida circuit.

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HANEY COMPLETES TRAINING PLANS

Toledo's Batterymen Due to Assemble in Meridian, Miss., March 10. TOLEDO, O.—The first contingent of the Mud Hens' 1935 squad has been ordered to assemble at the Meridian, Miss., training base, March 10.

The first group that will roll into Mississippi will embrace Lusk, Collier, Bartulis, Doljack, James, Kersey, Buchanan, Graham, Stephens, Nichols, Welby, and Judy.

President Shank and Manager Haney have been doing a bit of missionary work here in the past few days, which has created a great deal of early interest.

George Buchanan, young southpaw hurler, scheduled to report at Meridian, expects to come through from the west coast with Bobby Allaire. The two went to school together in California.

President Shank expects to make his annual visit to the major league training grounds about the last week in March.

IF YOUNGSTER HAS WEAKNESS PITCHERS SOON FIND IT OUT

WHAT is the reason for a player losing his batting form? It is a difficult question to answer, but the answer is in the spring flashes or the one-year sensations, it is easy.

Then I believe the law of averages has something to do with it. I mentioned the case of Sukeforth. No doubt he hit .132 in 33 games in 1928.

I have heard both of those master strategists, now deceased, John McGraw and Jimmy Huggins, remark that you can't make a hitter.

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ROSTER OF PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES FOR 1935

THE 1935 roster of the Philadelphia Nationals adds emphasis to the fact that President Gerry Nugent and Manager Jimmy Wilson have done a lot of shuffling and adding to the ranks of the club since the close of the 1934 season.

Clarence Jonnard, a veteran catcher, was signed as a free agent to team up with Todd, Wilson himself and Joe Holden, who was carried part of last season.

Deno Chiozza, brother of Louis, is listed among the new infielders. Others are Stanley Sperry, and Johnny Vergez and Blondy Ryan, obtained from the Giants in the Bartell transaction.

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