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BOTH YANKEES AND INDIANS WILL

GRIFFS MAY HAVE A WORD TO SAY

PLAY BETTER BALL THAN LEADERS

Recent Spurt Has Put Them Right in the Then He Adds They Won't Be Put on the Race and There's Plenty of Time for an Upset.



American League perment is as good as likey could not be located. Two for the Yankees It is a fact the William F. Baker, who controls the club. bands of Carl Mays and Waite Hoyt. Att Lastungton the Indians braced a bit in ner, at least." their pitching, but McBride's pitchers i stopped their punch as completely as Mays |

her useless to remind the Yankee boosters that the Inglans are hard nots to crack on tack own grounds and that things may a suggestion, however, but mere rumor, not look so bright for the Yankeds when I they have bumped into the Western teams at home in the telp starting this week. The l boosters are fixed in their opinions that [Nelson, principal owner of the Brantford] come back to Harben for a brilliant rush its organization, and one of the best known

how that it all will come true, but the from other clubs in the league attending Yangees have a way of tripping up now the funeral. Mr. Nelson was a man of and then which doesn't create a general large business interests and his close atfeeling of confidence in their ability to tention to them caused a nervous breakstick to the top. If the Hugmen win the down. Recently he gave up active hanpennant they will turn the trick with only dling of the Brantford Club and a stock two dependable pitchers. Mays and Hoyt, company was formed, but he still retained Shawkey's work is erratic and there's no- lan interest in it. Besides being a patron body else to fill in. To combat this the of baseball he was a great supporter of Vankees' bookters may say that Cleveland hockey and lacrosse. is no hotter off for pitchers. It that he true. then both Huggins and Speaker will do well to keep their eyes on the suddenly! revived Washington team.

Washington May Laugh Last. Strange to say the Yankees do not rethe latter are playing far better basebuli than either Cleveland or New York. If the Senators can throw the hocks into the Hugmen, in addition to gaining ground on this handkerchief, sought to enter. He was the Indians, the time may come when Clark; Griffith and George McBride will have a big laugh at the expense of the Harlem licket he had purchased he was arrested way they will profit by rather than sulk.

In my opinion the Senators are better fixed in the pitching department than either the Yankees or the Indians. Furthermore the Washington boxmen are steadily With more than 50 games left to play, | probably will lead to special inquiry, as, therefore, it is well to keep your eyes glued this is not the first complaint of the acon this Senatorial gang.

of the team is a question that cannot be room. ars wered here. Miller probably will sup-Plant Chick Fewster and perhaps Fewster will take another crack at second base. where Aaron Ward has been deficient. After getting on even terms with the Pi- Henry Russe, a fellow city employe. The President Veeck disclosed there was some we look upon Gandil, the former copper of date, while in 1920 he copped 25 and droprates early last week, they were hadly two men quarreled over their work and dumped by the Reds in Cincinnati and the Pears hit Russe over the head with a plank. to do but to change. Cards in St. Louis. Rumors have come He claims self-defense. Pears played with that some of the players have been mished the Detroit American League team 15 the Cub team. Manager Killefer has plenty him. He is decoly originally potentially fundamentally fundament that was indicated when McGraw suspended Catcher Earl Smith and sent him

home.

McChaw's pitchers braced a bit in St. Louis, but their hest efforts netted them Moines Western League team set two they gave three rousing cheers, and by hold. He has enough money to mut. He However, there is no reason for any but one game of the four in the Mound world's records in a game. August 7, their added zest on the field have shown stays on. So would we if we could, in our great slarm. The season has still two man of sporting blood might happen to be, City, for Rickey's pitchers stood the Giants against the St. Joseph team. It made they approved the change. supposed to complete a real "Murderers' nine innings, when it was credited with ble this season. They have had more ac-How" for McGraw, has been in a painful 33. With the 27 putouts its total chances cidents then any other club in the league. plump, unable to deliver safe wallops in for the game comes up to 50, which is also If the time ever comes when they can go away below par. Of course, Meusel will come through in due time, but he has been o handleap to the Giants, so far, instead of a belp.

If Mc lraw can keep all of his pitchers inere and will assert itself after the slump. another clash with the Western teams. what to expect in the way of success or failure for the New York Nationals.

Gambiers Say "We Told You So." The verdict of "not guilty" in the trial of the Black Sox shocked every honest fan in the Hig Town, except the sure thing Panthers along Broadway, who simply rmiled and said. "We told you so!" Of all the rotten scandals that ever nause sted the sport loving public, the Chicago milair was the worst. Some day there may be another exposure, showing what really happened behind the screens. But, thank God, in spite of the jury's verdict, the Black Sox are out of the same for ever. Judge the opinion of every fair minded reader of er of baseball, announced that none of the but Ty Cobb, who had same to describe the Athletics on Sunday and re-Landis' edict to this effect, hailed with in- newspaper reports of the trial, jury or no men would be permitted to get back, and got the craft righted with in- reverses. Sunny Jim thinks the team will whather or not they had been accounted to get back, and got the craft righted with in-States made the jury, the Black Sox and

the fixing gamblers look like 30 cents, for the crooked players and sure thing The jurors who put some of the Black Sox own minds that the players accused were had their battling clothes on, as the scores had denied the Indians' protest of the manipulators, the prompt ultimatum of the on their shoulders while in the court room, guilty and that the men in baseball and indicate. High Commissioner of Organized Baseball and later indulged in a midnight celebra- the game had won a great moral victory. The pitching of the Tigora has continmade the situation as clear as crystal. Not tion with them must be queer American by bringing the facts before the public. only is Judge Landis entitled to credit for citizens. But what can you expect when Too much credit cannot be given to games at Washington that of McBride's Trappe farmer had seemingly struck at his promptness in calcreforming the "ac- the associates for the blackened ball play- President Johnson, Judge McDonald, the men was particularly effective and there quittal" of the Black fox, but also praise ers were New York gamblers with a ton state's attorneys and others who were ac- was a sudden drop in Datroit batting avtelongs to President Johnson of the Ameri- of money to spend for expensive lawyers? | tive in the case for their efforts in produc- orages. Heliman continues to hold the Can League for the fearless manner in The whole affair simply smelled to Heav- ing for the benefit of the fans the facts batting lead in the American League, but which he forced the issue. If the 1913 con- en, but one thing is dead sure. The gov- of the rottenest scandal that ever found its with not the impressive figures he had. spiracy had been allowed to die a natural ernors of baseball now are able to point way into the game. These men tolled tire. The team boasted a new 400 hitter for a

have received a terrific set back. who wanted to have the mess cleaned up ert the right kind of "influence." satisfaction of knowing that the public had bribed them and got away with it! been well informed; as to the treachery of

Late News Items

PHILS NOT TO BE SOLD NOW, SAYS'MR. BAKER

Market Until They Have Become a Winner, at Least.

W YORK, N. Y., Aug. 8. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 9.—Reports -New York fans, after continue in circulation that the Philadel-New York fans, after continue in circulation that the Philadel-phin National League club is about to be acid. The story last week that it might be sold. The story last week that it might be sold to Jack Dunn and the club transformers played in Washing last to make leaving here, are tellion after leaving here, are tellion t along Broadway that speaker's team has shot its holt and wen't plitsburg men supposed to be interested. Fittsburg men supposed to be interested. It was stated they had come here to handle men to get the most out of them even be dangerous from now on, waich it was stated they had come here to

char plons were and to look bad here. returning from a vacation trip, stated is the reason Evers was dethroned. Ap-After crushing the lankers in the first Monday that the reports that Pittsburg parently there was a fair amount of harclub, however, was qualified, as he said it | terest because of the constant jawing they would not be sold "for the present." Mr. Baker added that the club would not be was their only objection to him. "placed on the market until it was a win-

Some men who follow the local baseball situation closely are convinced a deal of and Hoyt had done, and New York fans some kind is on and they even say, that will the that without their punch the Mr. Baker and his associates have practically been requested by other magnates of the National League to dispose of their holdings. There is nothing to support such

Tom Neison of Brantford Dies. li's a pretty picture, sure enough, and we was buried Monday, with representatives himself.

> Mr. "Joseph Weller" in Barred. NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 9.-That major league ball clubs will insist that no-"undestrables" be admitted to their ball perks was indicated hero Sunday when Abe Attell, former pugillat, was ejected from the Polo Grounds. Attell, who gave denied admission. A detective followed him and when "Weller" tried to sell the or ticket scalping.

Unruly Quaker Fans Get Attention. CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 9 .- Reports of a semi-riot by fans attending the ball game he is in New York where his word is law improving, particularly Walter Johnson, at Shibe Park in Philadelphia on Monday tion of fans there. In Monday's game a Musgins expects to have Elmer Miller in decision by Umpire Dinneen started ir outfield before the team leaves for the storm of protest and after the game Din-West. Miller is a splendid fielder, but noen and Evans were bombarded with whether he will ned strength to the batting cushions as they fied to their dressing

Frank Pears Kills a Man. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 9 .- Frank Pears, years ago a well-known ballplayer, is held went about that Evers was not getting Nothing but trouble besets the Clants. under arrest here following the death of along with his players. Investigation by iengue teams. He is 55 years of age.

> Fielding Record for Des Moines. more assists than any previous record for claimed to be a record. Not an error was through a campaign without a serious acmade by the team.

A Trade of Shorfstone DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 9 .- The Dallas Club working smoothly together the Giants may has traded shortstops with the Atlanta everbaut the Pirates yet, for the punch is Club, by which Bobby Stow joins Dallas and Marvin Smith goes to Atlanta. Stow The team will be home in a few days for formerly played in the Texas League with Fort Worth. He recently was suspended ofter which I can jell you, perhaps, just by Atlanta for indifferent playing. Smith: came to Dallas from a club in the Western Canada League through a deal with Minneapolis.

> Kansas City Gets a Southpaw. KANSAS CITY: Mo., Aug. 9,-The Kanens City Club, blocked in its effort to get, the announcement of Evers' deposition the sions, and all I have heard have but one second journey away from Cleveland led Rube Benton, who has returned to the Black Sox were acquitted by a jury. This opinion to express. New York Nationals, has acquired Stan- was and was not surprising, since it was wood Baumgardner, a southpaw pitcher, impossible to convict them on a conspiracy straight up stream with the engine humfrom the Philadelphia Nationals, on an charge. For awhile fane asked whether any ming until it got caught in the swirl of

For condoning crooked baseball the jury court.

deserves the condemnation which it has The fans also read enough in the papers instead of vindication and experation received throughout the United States, about the case to be convinced in their death without exposure, baseball would their fingers at several big crooks who en- lessly for months and spent a huge pile of brief period during the week in no less a gineered the 1919 sell out, but who escaped money to bring the players into court to personage than Manager, Ty hin self. He Johnson and all of the big league men punishment because they knew how to ex- show they were guilty. From what they pussed the marie figures Thursday, but

JOE VILA.

TO BE THE GOAT.

He Fell Into Old Crabbing Habits When Team Lost.



HICAGO, Ill., Aug. 8.— Sincere regret was expressed by every fan in Chicago when the announcement was made by President William Veck of the Cubs that Johnny Evers had been relieved

mounts, of course, that the faus believe the make inquiries, but if they were here to handle men to get the most out of them

Inability to got along with his players erroneous. His denial of a sale of the the men declare they lost heart and inhad to stand from the manager. That

Evers has disappointed me. Early in the spring I thought Evers had overcome his nagging habit and that he at least would show himself a successful manager. For s month after the reason opened I still believed it, because the club apparently was hustling for him all the time and would have remained in the race longer and continued the silence that he main- truit put the bee on the Yankees the New than it did if Alexander and Jim Vaughn had not been bothered with lame arms. The failure of these two star flingers to verdict, he would have retained this sym- | It was the first double header the Inpitch their best ball early in the race. I think, is responsible for Evers' misfortune. BRANTFORD, Ont., Aug. 9 .- Thomas J. Had they gong good, things would have been different on the club and it is probthe Hugmen will clean up in the West and Club in the Michigan-Ontario League since | able Evers would have been different in handling affairs, but he could not stand to sportsmen in Canada, who died August 5, lose and as a consequence lost control of Weaver and others take, Joe Jackson says three wins for the Nata while Cleveland's

Evers had a lot of friends, but Killefer has fust as many. The latter has been a and President Veeck was complimented on all sides when he chose him to succeed Evers. There are many here who believe Killefer should have been given the posttion when the decision was made to let Fred Mitchell out. gent, knows the game and has a disposi- way. he bas a temper. He has, but he is mas- mor. ter of it and it is pretty certain he will not incur the enmity of his players by riding them as Evers did. He is tactful

enough to rebuke them for mistakes in a In these days the driving method of handling pievers will not go. There is only one manager who has been able to get away with it and that is John McGraw, and the only reason he does is because and where he can go out and spend what he does not possess the material with which to do it.

Fans Buzzed Their Knocks. Cub fans were disappointed in the show-

buzz about getting a new leader. Word out of the routine of his office.

Aggressiveness, will not be lacking on that in a situation like that, all hats off to of that. He was always full of pepper and my. Of all the Black Sox our choice is Mr. nelding has been ragged in spots and has put more into his men since he took Gandil.

cident or two they will probably win. At the opening of the season Alexander and for a month or more. Following that Deal later hurt his shoulder. What team, has pill around, Eddle old boy, etc. etc. had as many mishaps as this to keep it from making a respectable showing?

Baseball in Court and Out. Followers of the national sport have been fed with a lot of baseball here. Prior to Comiskey's players, who stood convicted in a wallop when Judge Landis, supreme pow-

> have accomplished for the benefit for the Friday went hitless in four times at but age and generation.

IN BLACK SOX CASE

PROOF AGAIN THAT SOMEBODY HAS INSTANCE HONEST CHICK GANDIL'S MUST WIN IN COMING HOME STAND FAREWELL TO JOHNSON.

> Their Peers in a Celebration After Returning "Just" Verdict



Well, even at this late date we find that a cer-tain Chicago jury and cer-tain former members of the Chicago American League club and a certain widely and unfavorably discussed. That there

tanding as to what we refer to we will state explicitly that our remarks concern vor of the Black Sox by a Chicago jury. That is that, but not all of it. There has never been a jury verdict that aroused such wide discussion and so much unfavorable comment.

We read that Eddie Clootte in an interview in Detroit asserts he is going to The Nats have always been a hard team play ball. Cicotte, says this alleged inter- for the Indians to beat, even in the years view, will ask to be taken back and if this country, and if the tour does not take place he will play semi-pro ball, and if he cannot play semi-pro ball he will play with some (raternal organization or something.

Kills Last Spark of Sympathy. Cicotte until he made this statement. It games were doubled up on Thursday. was ill advised. Had Cicotte, after the Barig! the Nats took them for two both verdict was returned, retired to his farm by the same score, 8 to 1. Although Detained on counsel's advice between the Yorkers went into first place due to the time of indictment and the return of the Indiana double defeat. pathy, but when he brazenly asserts that dians have lost this season. he will demand to be re-instated and that he will again play ball, then the sympathy dians lost again and were lodged in sec

In our opinion it requires a great deal of stupidity to assume the stand that Cicotte, hurlers who aided Erickson in making he is through with baseball; the others most were assaulted by the Washington claim they are not. The trouble with them hitters in reckless style. is that they do not read enough. If they would read they would know they are Very popular bull player ever since he came through with beschall. If all, the papers to Chicago along with Grover Alexander in the country could be brought to the worried over the present state of affairs Black Sox and if they could mad and un- and wondering just what alls their favorderstand the editorial comment the inter- ites. One critic who has followed the views, the cartoons, the letters , in the game for a score of years, hands out an public letter, boxes; of various newspa- explanation which sounds logical. pers, they would quickly decide they are through. The hest tip any one can give ball was bounding off the outposts of ev-The new leader seems to have the these boys is to tell them they are through ery park and the pitchers had not yet necessary qualifications to make a suc- If they insist on finding out for themselves found themselves the champions, slugged cess at handling players. He is intelli- the revelation will come in an unpleasant their way to victory and offset come medi-

tion that ought to get everything out of i. Of all that motion crew we admire Chick a player that he has in him. Killefer's Gandli. He, the Lillom of that cost, is our at present. Pitchers on the other clubs hair is slightly red, which indicates that choice. Gandil at least has a sense of hu- have rounded into their real form and the

Original and Side-Splitting.

Gandil's humor almost waves a deploralan contribution to the world's fun for their pitching bas not come up to the has there been a funnier line printed in form displayed by New York and Washages of sport than Gandlik statement at- ington. ter the verdict: "I guess that'll learn Ban Johnson he can't frame an honest bunch of

How Mr. Johnson must have chuckled sionally, but during the run of the season when he read that. Mr. Johnson has a they will have the edge on the Redskins. sense of humor. He must have. If Mr. Ecickson is a consistent winner against he wants to make his club a winner if Johnson lacked a sense of humor me would Cleveland, while Mogridge and Courtney long ago have quit his job. Imagine the do a good job of their assignments. job! It would be unbearable but for such And these two clubs-New York and sparkling situations as arise, matters that Washington-are giving the Indiana real make life merry, like the ravings of Charles battles. ing Evers was making with the club. It | Confishey, the theatrical conduct of Harry | A year ago Jim Bagby was well on his was thought after the team returned from Frazes, and the interviews of Ruppert and way to a record of 30 games won, while the East that it would pick up and begin Huston, the Broadway comedy team. Life Coveleskie had a grand record. Malis to win, but it got worse. The attendance holds much that is rich in humor for Mr. cume up a little later in the season and began to fall off and the fans started to Johnson and many are the kicks he gets ran up a string of seven. This year it is Now the American League chief is pretty close to his last season's performtruth in it and that there was nothing elso shreveport. La., with a feeling of respect, ped 14, but the others are far belind. for when a bird pons un with a crack like

hold of the reins. The players were delight. After reading Mr. Gandilla statement we been open to question. Likewise the hited with the switch, and when the an- can well understand why Mr. Johnson ting has not been so timely, only seven DES MOLNES, In., Aug. 9.—The Des nouncement was made in the club house clings to a job that he does not have to Frans being scored in five games. daily task, watch the antics of a support months to run and the champions may and that Baker had used the fact that he The Cubs have had their share of trou- ing cast such as he has and could catch, pull out of their losing streak and cop was called to Chicago to testify as an ex-

now and then, such statements as Gandil's, again. The outlook is a hundred times cuse for easing him out of the job with From Humor to Pathos. Next to Gandil we would place the Chi- the Tribe was limping along with only two stand for cago jury, "tried men and thue," or what- real pitchers and ran into all kinds of Wild Bill pointed out that he was under ever the phrase is. Noble citizens they, hard luck. The champions are a same contract to the Phils for a year and that Romans all. They meet the Black Sox in bunch and will fight harder, since they are he had applied to Judge Landie to see Vaughn hurt their arms and could not pitch an Italian restaurant late at night. Of down, to regain the lead. They have a that his contract is respected. Landis sent course, the meeting is accidental, natural- great manager in Tris Speaker and he is his secretary on a visit to New York, where but lasted only a few months. Baker fired and Hollocher were out for periods, while ly. They join them in a merry celebration, ably assisted by Jack McCallister. If the he interviewed Bill at length and appar- him and out Gavvy Cravath in charge. the Cubs were in the first division, with They pat them on the bnok! tell them they tour can get on its feet during the home ently sympathized with him. broken noses. Zeb Terry sustained a brok- are a grand lot (and a wenderful lot they visit the fies is a long way from the Polo en finger and Turner Barber and George are) shake hands with them congratulate grounds. Maisel were out with minor injuries. Be- them, wish them the best luck in the world They used to talk about Jack Knight Donovan and if he had not been dismissed but he was sidetracked at the end of 1920. sides all this Killefer sustained a broken and will look upon them the next time out and Jim Vaughn being globe trotters, but before he would have been discharged then. wrist before the opening of the race and there on the old ball lot tossing the old young Ernest Jeannes, the rookle outfield. All along Baker had insisted that Donovan Now this contribution is not to the is giving them a close race during his first world's humor, but to the world's puthos, weason in the game. Jeannes came from Another indictment of the American jury Texas to Cleveland and made a trip asstem, an indictment against the jury it- ground the league. Then he went to Gal-The Detroit ball club was headed dering where his next ticket will lend.

of the ex-White Sox would return to the the mid-summer flood at Washington, war game, but that question was answered with turned around and headed for the falls, fown Friday to view his players in action see his new baby, did & Sheridan's ride fused to be a bit cloudy over the Tribe's York. One of the garnes at the Polo come through and no amount of arguing Grounds was rained out, for witch the can tell him different. Tanks can be thankful, for the Tigers Dunn reported that President Johnson und up to expectations, liutain a couple of Frank Baker a base on balls after the

naturally were disappointed when the jury Let the Black Sox drop out of your same I feel positive that there will be no against Carl Mays and "fell off to a mere League and on Chief Bender's team are which is sure to cause a laugh around the lagainst the Western teams has not fatdischarged the prisoners, but they had the minds, but don't forgot the thieves who more soundals of the 1919 neture in our 386. Who says the worries o managing George Cykowski and Lefty Kime, young baseball circuit. Just how Donevan, John tened the A's percentage, but they had n ball club can affect the battlig of a real pitchers whom Thomas coached while McGraw, Pat Moran or the wisest leader hustled and satisfied their supporters. with the Indians. F. J. POWERS. In baseball could take the bunch of non-OSCAR C. REICHOW. hitter? H. G. SA. SINGER.

OR FACE HANDICAP.

Fault of Trojan, They Say in Chicago, Is But Hardly a Joke When Jurymen Meet Fans Hope Speaker's Men Will Show More Fight to Regain Lead Than They Did to Keep It.



LEVELAND, O., Aug. 8 -The world's champion Indians are now in second place and confronted with their hardest battle of the season. The coming home stay will practically windup the season at Dunn Field and unless they recoup their for

their chances of retaining the title sewn on

The pitching here of into has been of color and the punch has been missing. Also the Indiana seem to be a bit disconcerted by the demonstration that an old noocioo has bobbed up to plague them. It was Washington that did the damage when the Clevelanders were not in the pennant battle. This season they have been rank poison and if it were not for Cleveland, Eric Erickson would probably be selecting a nice minor league berth. Lazving New York where they lost two out of three and were rained out one day the champs hit the capital city. Rain There was some sympathy in Detroit for held them idle the first day there, but the

> On Friday the Yankees won and the Inond place by a little over one game mar-Johnson and Mogridge were the

Look Good in Bush Games. The faithful fans are becoming a bit Earlier in the season when the lively ocre pitching

But conditions are somewhat different big score games are much more rare than two months ago. Consequently, the Indians' hitting has fallen off considerably along with other teams in the league, but

The Yankees have two pitchers who usuglly beat the Indians in Mays and Shawkey. The champs will biff this pair occa-

different again. Coveleskie is running Fielding Falls With the Rest.

some of the mental performances have more bright than it was a year ago, when the Phillies. This Bill says, he will not Phils in their present plight. They had

er Speaker picked up in Texas last springs to New Haven and now he is back won-Dunn Hasn't Lost Hope.

Jim Dunn, the Indians' big boss, his

game played in New York on the first Eastern trip where Umpire Wilson gave Chester Thomas seems to have made a

fine start at Hartford and the Indian fanc now he the chief opponent to some of his ed on the last trip."

PRETTY GOOD FOR A HASBEEN

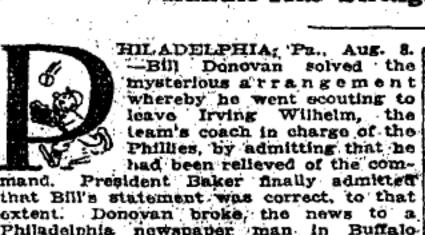


Copyrighted by Keystone View Commany. **OUTFIELDER MAX CAREY**

A New York scribe referred rather slightingly the other day to "Methusaleh" Max Carey. The Fittsburg outfielder had had a particularly big day and the inference of the scribe was that it was remarkable work for such a veteran. Possibly it hadn't oncurred to any one else that Max really is in the "old-timer" class. It's hard to imagine him as that no one but a New York baseball humorist would have thought of it. To most followers of baseball Carey still seems to be at the top of his form. He certainly is having a big year, and big years have been his habit until stunts that if pulled by other players would cause sensations are accepted as a matter of course from him. Maybe he is getting old and slowing up a bit. He appears to be another wreck ilke Ty Cobb. Well ther all have to go to the scrap heap some time. Carcy is playing his eleventh season with the Pitates; it's time he began to fade. All the slowed-up old "spay" could do last year was lead his league in stealing bases another habit of his and top them in percentage of fielding chances per game. He's being made to hustle for base running honors this year, but he's hobbling around the butfield fast enough to make new records in snaring flice—and he's only hitting .325. Sad case is that of Carey and quite unkind of the New York scribe to call attention to his "decline" as a ball player. But'a protty fair has-been at that, we'll say,

BAKER ADMITS DONOVAN IS OUT WHEN WILD BILL DECLARES IT

Mess of Charges, Denials and Threats Follow Dismissal of Phillies' Manager and There'll Be More Before Landis Has Straightened Them Out.



that Bill's statement was correct, to that extent. Donovan broke, the news to a the season as manager. It is difficult to It is not all the pitchers' fault, as the that Baker had relieved him because Bill coach for a minor league team last y cerning their operations. The import of Donovan's interview in

Buffalo was that he wasn't any more ac-

This secret negotiation with Landis signed to manage in 1920. Gavvy did the made President Baker extremely bitter at | best he could with the material available.

had not been deposed, but that he helieved it was for the best, interests of the to imrove his own conditions in St. Paul, team to keep Wilhelm in charge and have It was almost time for the Southern trip Donovan do a bit of scouting. He insisted when Donovan was appointed. Now comes that the reins of management would be Wilhelm. How long will he last? restored to Donovan as soon as the Phils returned East. No Reflections on Bill's Honor.

The interview with Donovan in Buffalo got a quick rise out of Baker. He imme- | break and restored him to his old place at diately telegraphed Bill to come here for a third base and would not discuss the case meeting Tuesday. Baker said: "I did not excepting to say that he had fined Dugan use the trial of the Black Sox as a pre- in the interests of discipline. The crowd at text for getting rid of Donovan, because I Shibe Park gave Dugan a good reception had not been informed just what was his and this fickle youth seemed as happy and connection with the case. His conferences carefree as ever. One thing is sure, he with Judge Landis have been secret. "I will say, though, that I did take the jump. For temperament, Joe is in a class opportuity offered by the trial to take the by himself. club away from Donovan for the duration | The Macks have a new outfielder in Edgar of the Western trip. Not because of any Collins, but he is far from a kid, having strain on Donovan's name connected with seen service with the Pirates and Braves. the baseball scandal, but because I was Edgar has been engaged for fill-in work. dissatisfied with the discipline that pre- It is seldom that Mack takes a veteran as vailed on the last Western trip. "I was apprehensive of his ability to lates his own policy. Collins played with properly manage the team. Our success is | Oil City earlier in the season, but as he wish him well, for they are quick to real- too important to keep an inefficient man in | was a free agent when he went there is ize that Chet was not the worst coach in charge. I did not feel justified in en- not under the ban of Organized Baseball, the world and that much undeserved trusting the young players just acquired for his outlaw associations. blame was heaped upon him. Chet will by the club to the conditions that prevail- The Athletics soon finish their home former pupils. New Haven and Hartford | In other words Baker placed the buck for the Phils and their new manager return are rivals for fourth place in the Eastern the non-success of the team to Donevan, here for a run of games. The stand

HIL ADELPHIA: 'Pa., Aug. 8. descripts Donovan has had this year and Bill Donovan solved the win with them is past anybody's undermysterious arrangement standing, except possibly Mr. Baker's. whereby he went ecouting to Every fan knows what is wrong with the leave Irving Wilhelm, the Philadelphia Club and the trouble is not team's coach in charge of the located in the managerial office, and reflections on Wild Bill do not set well with tans of his home city.

Good Man Wouldn't Have It.

It is presumed that Wilhelm will finish

Philadelphia newspaper man in Buffalo believe that any baseball man of reputawho happened to be motoring through there | tion would come here under present condito cover the national regntta. He said tions. Wilhelm was a fill-in pitcher and knew gamblers and had been expected to and Donovan fetched him bere as coach testify at the recent White Sox trial con- | and scout. Wilhelm did pilot the Phils to one winning stroak, but it has been broken and the team is not now faring so well. The passing of Donovan after less than season's trial incresses the crop of managers the Phils have had since the discharge of Pat Moran. It must be pointed cut that it was the unexpected and uncalled-for dismissal of Moran that put the

one of the best leaders in baseball, kicked him out and are now paying the cost of their gigantic folly. Jack Coombs was Moran's immediate successor. He started the season of 1919.

Cravath finished the senson and then was Last winter Eaker thought he came to terms with Mike Kelley of St. Paul, but Mike was only kidding and listened merely Dugan's Vacation at an End.

Joe Dugan has jumped back to the Athletics. He reappeared last week as suddenly as he left. Mack again overlooked Joe's can never go a season without at least on

a relief man and in signing Edgar he vio-

stay and then hit the road again, while JAMES C. ISAMINGER.

To Break Major Pennant Series

By JACK LANG

There will be no playoffs in the major leagues this year. There will be a Championship Series, National League, and a Championship Series, American League, but no playoffs.

Of course, newspapers and fans will continue to call them playoffs, but the powers that be in baseball have decided to avoid the use of the word "playoffs" and call their windup games in each league the "championship series."

That's the official name for the first divisional playoffs — oops, there's that word again—in major league history. The East meets the West in each league in a bestthree-out-of-five series with the winners to be declared the official league champions and to meet in the traditional seven-game World Series.

Final plans for the first league championship series have been drawn up by the two-man committee of Charles Feeney of the San Francisco Giants and Lee Mac-Phail of the New York Yankees, two of the brighter executives in the game. It was Feeney and Mac-Phail who did most of the planning for last fall's expansion drafts and for the current divisional play.

Series to Begin October 4

Plans for the playoffs — sorry about that Commissioner Kuhn revealed here recently have the American League East Division champs hosting the West Division champs to launch that league's championship series and the West Division in the National League hosting the East Division.

The series in both leagues will begin on Saturday, October 4, with the first two games being played in one city and the final three in the other. Barring rain, the series in both leagues will be over by Wednesday, October 8, and the World Series will begin on Saturday, October 11.

For example, if Baltimore is the East Division winner in the American League, it will host the West Division champs on October 4 and

At the same time the West Division winner in the National League—say it's Cincinnati—will be taking on the East Division champs in Cincinnati.

Originally, plans called for a travel date on Monday, October 6, but they have since been scrapped and now there will be no travel date.

Respite Seen Helpful

"It was the general feeling," said Feeney, "that a travel date and the possibility of rain could result in the series lasting until Friday, October 10, and the winning team would then have to be ready to play the World Series the next day.

'We just felt that the two teams meeting in the World Series should have a day or two of rest beforehand so the Championship Series now will end on Wednesday. There will be no travel date."

If there is a tie in any one of the four divisions in the two leagues, a one-game playoff-it's okay to use that word in this case-will be held and the winner declared divisional champ. A flip of the coin will decide the site of the one-game playoff. Also, if three teams are tied on the final day, coins will be flipped beforehand and there will be a one-game elimination playoff with the third team drawing a bye and then meeting the winner of the first game.

A three-way tie in any division -and it's not unlikely in the National League West Divisionwould really create a problem. It would push back the start of the Championship Series, National League, until Sunday, October 5.

The regular season ends on Thursday, October 2. One playoff game would be played October 3 and the other October 4.

Financial arrangements for the league championship series and the World Series already have been decided. They will be the most lucrative slices of the melon in baseball history.

Dodgers Hold Mark

The largest share ever awarded a player on a winning World Series team was the \$12,794 each member of the Los Angeles Dodgers received in 1963. The largest share any losing player received went to the same Dodgers in 1966 when they received \$8,189.36 each for scoring two runs and losing four straight to Baltimore.

Under the new set-up, the losing team in each divisional playoff will receive a guaranteed \$5,000.

The winners of each league championship get nothing except that by winning they automatically advance to the World Series where they will be guaranteed \$10,000 for just competing.

Baseball has reached a parity in that respect with professional football, which has a \$15,000-\$10,000 guarantee for competing teams in the Super Bowl,

Baseball's new payoff for runner-up teams in the divisional championship series is better than some World Series winners were receiving not too many years ago. A team finishing second best in its league is now assured of a \$5,000 payoff.

Others benefiting from the big melon are the top three teams in each division, who will share in some way or other in the final Series pool. Six teams in each league will collect in one way or another and a dozen teams in all will receive post-season checks. That's a 50 percent payoff to the 24 teams in the two leagues.

NBC Has Air Rights

The National Broadcasting Co., which has the exclusive World Series radio and TV rights, also picked up the rights to the league championship series in each loop.

Games in the East Division series will start at 1 p. m. each day except in cities like Baltimore, where baseball is prohibited before 2 o'clock on Sundays.

Games in West Division cities will start three hours later. Only on Sunday, October 5, will both games start at 1 p. m. local time. That's because NBC has a contract to televise American Football League games the same afternoon. Presumably they will do the baseball playoff game first and the football game later.

According to Carl Lindemann, sports director for NBC, games in the eastern time zone will be televised starting at 1 p. m. with the games in the western time zone being televised three hours later.

No blackouts are planned. As in the World Series, games will be on national TV and they will be available to fans in the competing cities.

No Travel Dates Gandil: I'll Go to My Grave With a Clear Conscience'

By DWIGHT CHAPIN

The old man sits in his living room with the shades drawn to protect against the heat of a midsummer day in Calistoga, Calif.

A jackhammer working on the street outside clanks and roars, but the voice of Charles Arnold (Chick) Gandil rises above it.

"Exonerated," he keeps saying. "We were exonerated. But that damned Judge Landis took more power than the courts and we were blacklisted for all time. I want to know on what grounds baseball did this to us."

Chick Gandil is 82 years old and for 50 of those years he has lived with a skeleton in his closet the skeleton of baseball's greatest scandal, the Chicago Black Sox of 1919.

Some have said that Chick Gandil, the big, tough first baseman, was the ringleader who made the deal with the gamblers to conspire to throw the World Series against Cincinnati.

But he says now:

"I never confessed. And five of the eight players who were accused of throwing the Series didn't.''

Of the eight, just Gandil and shortstop Charles (Swede) Risberg are still alive. Death has taken the others-Fred Cicotte, Oscar (Happy) Felsch, Shoeless Joe Jackson, Fred McMullin, George (Buck) Weaver and Claude (Lefty) Wil-

Smoker for 70 Years

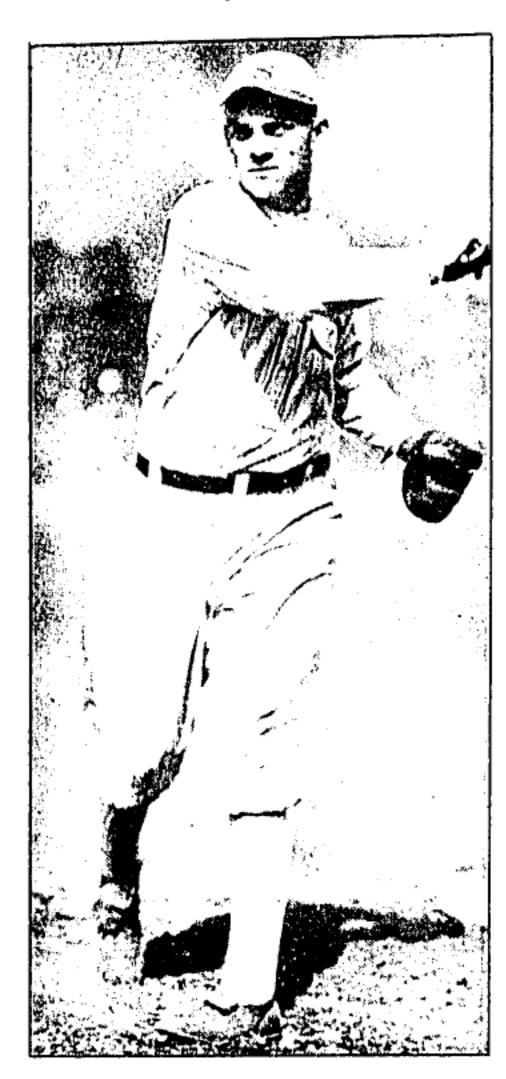
Chick Gandil says that he has been smoking 70 of his 82 years ("I guess if it hasn't hurt me yet, it's not going to") and he was chain-smoking and nervously crushing out the butts as he talked.

"I have," he said, "taken an awful beating in this thing. But it's all on record. My hits won two of the games against the Reds. If I'd been trying to throw the Series, would I have tried to win those games?

"If anybody wants to say I looked terrible, at bat or in the field, let them get the papers and look it up. If I'd been hooked up with the gamblers, they wouldn't have let me live after I got those base-

The record does show that Gandil drove in the first two runs in the third game with a single as Dickie Kerr beat the Reds, 3-0. And in the sixth game, he singled in the winning run for Kerr as the White Sox won again, 5-4.

The years have erased some of the memories. Gandil says the eight banished players "never kept



CHICK GANDIL . . . 'We were exonerated.

much touch, any of us."

But some things don't go away. "I had trouble with my appendix in 1919, during the season," Gandil said. "But old Comiskey (Charles Comiskey, the White Sox owner), he said freeze it and go ahead and play, that they'd operate on me at the end of the season.

Never Again at \$4,000

"I went ahead and played for that \$4,000 he was paying me. I told him I'd never play again for that. I wanted \$6,000. I told him I'd quit if I didn't get it and I did quit, after the 1919 season.

"Eddie Collins, our second baseman, was the only one of our players who was making big money and he had it written into his contract when Chicago got him from Philadelphia. Take Lefty Williams now-as good a pitcher as there was in the American League—he was only making around \$3,000.

"Comiskey was an awful guy. But you know, there was something you had to admire about him."

Gandil moved to Calistoga several years ago. "I had carbuncles and I wanted to get rid of them," he said. There are mineral springs and mud baths here.

Calistoga has been something

of a sanctuary for him in his twilight years. But newspapers and magazines come into his home. He shows you his clippings, with reference to the Chicago Black Sox. The references are heavily marked in pencil and pen.

"They won't let it die," he said. "What was said about me, starting right with the trial, made me want to start a suit," he said, "but my mother talked me out of it. She didn't want the publicity, so I went along with her.

"But from now on, I'm gonna sue the hell out of all of them. I'm tired of taking it after all these years."

His consuming ambition is still to have his name cleared somehow by baseball.

He has children, grandchildren, and he worries a lot about what they might have to suffer because of the scandal.

"I've been talking to Melvin Belli, the lawyer," he said, "and he's interested in my case. He knows there's a lot wrong with baseball and he thinks maybe we can do something about it.

Advice for Kids

"I advise all kids who are thinking of going into baseball to get themselves an education or a trade. I was awfully lucky to have a trade to fall back on. I was a plumber. When baseball is through with you, it will can you, quick.

"I wrote to Judge Landis three times, asking to be reinstated. He never even had the courtesy to answer me.

"I only wish I'd kept copies of the letters—I didn't. Landis was the 'Big I!' What the hell gave him the authority to do what he did to us-bar us, take away our livelihood, the way he did?"

Over the years, Gandil estimates that he has received 300-400 letters from kids, asking for autographs. Most of them, he says, don't mention the Black Sox.

"I would like to have worked with kids, coached them," he said, "but I never could. There was always the chance that something, some little thing, would come up."

In the end, that's always how it is. There is no escaping the thing.

"I guess," he said, "that I have been made the goat because I was the only one of the players who quit after the 1919 season. It was just that I wanted more money from Comiskey. Is that wrong? These young players get more to sign now than I got in an entire career.

"I'll tell you this. I'm going to my grave with a clear conscience."

Hatton Helped Santo Overcome Jittery Start

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works any harder. The fact that he has won a Gold Glove six straight times for being named third baseman of THE SPORTING News' N. L. All-Star fielding teams and holds all kinds of fielding records is the result of constant practice.

"I owe Grady Hatton the most for making me a good-fielding third baseman," said Santo. "After I had been signed out of Franklin High in Seattle, my first club in professional baseball was San Antonio, managed by Hatton.

"Grady was a third baseman himself and he immediately took me in hand.

I fielded the ball pretty well, but my throwing was awful.

"I was having a terrible time the first month. I believe I was hitting only .150 and already had 15 errors.

"The writers were saying I was too young and inexperienced and ought to be sent down to a lower minor league club.

"It was close to cutdown time and I went to Grady and told him I was sure I could play for San Antonio, now that I was getting over my nervousness. Well, he said he'd keep me. And he didn't regret it, because I hit four hom-

(Editor's Note: The Ron Santo cover of this week's issue represents the first reproduction of an oil painting by THE SPORTING NEWS. The painting was made by Chris Sherry for McDonald's Oil Portraits, a new enterprise of Tommy McDonald, former National Football League star.)

ers that first week and finished the season batting .327 and driving in 87 runs."

Ron knows only one way to play the game. And that's to give it everything he has.

He's naturally aggressive, but he learned about drive and hustle when he still was a youngster in Seattle. And the one he credits most for instilling him with the right attitude is the late Fred Hutchinson.

"Hutch was the manager at Seattle when I was ballboy there in 1955," recounted Santo.

"'Just having ability isn't enough,' Hutch told me. have to have the desire to go along with it.'

"It left quite an impression on me," said Santo. "And I've played that way all my life."