



MANAGER HOPES TO IMPROVE SOX

Editor's Note: This is the eighth of a series dealing with 1931 prospects of the various major league ball clubs.

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New York, Mar. 31.—(U.P.)—An even stronger pitching staff than that of last year and a new spirit of hustle and fight are the main reasons on which Manager Shaugh Collins hopes to boost the Boston Red Sox out of the American League cellar in 1931.

Wiley Moore, one-time sink-ball hero of the Yankees, and "Lefty" Brehm, called back from the minors, have been added to the pitching staff which was third in team pitching last season. Moore won 22 games with St. Paul in 1930 and seems to have recovered his old cunning and strength. The two recruits promise to fit in well with the regular staff of Gaston, MacFayden, Morris, Liscomb and Russell.

Gene Rye and Tom Winsett, a pair of rookie outfielders, are expected to give the team a better batting punch. Rye hit .360 for Waco in the Texas League last year and this included 26 home runs. Winsett came from Mobile in the southern association and is plenty capable with the bat.

Rye is suffering from a sprained wrist at the present time but is expected to be ready for the opening game. Teamed with Rye and Winsett in the outfield will be Earl Webb, the only regular to hit above .300 in 1930. Tom Oliver and Russ Scarrett, holdovers, will be on hand to understudy the regular outfield group.

The infield is better than ordinary. Bill Sweeney will be on first, Bob Reeves at second, Hal Rhine at short, and Jack Rothrock, a converted outfielder, on third. Reeves, once a third-sacker, is much happier at second, for his throwing arm was not quite strong enough for the cross-the-diamond pegs.

Ollie Marquardt, shortstop from Nashville, and Otis Miller are likely to be kept for utility roles. The hard-hitting Charlie Berry, Muddy Ruel and Eddie Connolly form a capable catching staff.

EXHIBITION GAMES

St. Louis (N) 5; Boston (N) 4.
Atlanta (SA) 5; Philadelphia (A) 2.
Philadelphia 2nds (A) 10; Rochester (IL) 8.
Boston (A) 5; Chattanooga (SA) 2.
New York (A) 14; Birmingham (SA) 2.
Chicago (N) 18; Pittsburgh (N) 8.
Nashville (SA) 9; Reading (IL) 3.
Philadelphia (N) 11; Alabama Poly, 5.

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SURGEON GIVES SIGHT TO YOUTH

Philadelphia Man, Blind From Birth, Sees After Operation

Philadelphia, Mar. 31.—(U.P.)—Eyes which never saw brought new sensations and revelations beyond expression today to Earl Musselman, 22, whose vision has been made by the skill of a surgeon's knife. He was born blind.

The color of flowers and the general appearance of human beings now seem to hold the most attraction for this youth who knew people and objects only by sound and touch.

Musselman was born without pupils in his eyes. Six weeks ago Dr. G. H. Moore, a specialist on the staff of the Graduate hospital, performed an operation. Yesterday the bandages were removed.

Musselman beheld a new world, a world of color sensations in which years of stored up imagination became real, and many impressions were found to be wrong.

"I was completely fooled," he said. "I thought I knew what it was all about" as the saying goes, but I was wrong. Besides all the things which I had impressions of, there are so many things which I had no impressions of at all.

"The way bricks are set in a building; the way one color is different from another and one shade blends into another; the way trolley tracks run straight beside each other and the way they shine; the way a horse and motor vehicle move; it's all wonderful.

"Imagination can in no way convey an idea of color of the vivid beauty of flowers. I had tried to fix colors in my mind from descriptions by teachers and friends who could see but my conception of them was dull and drab compared to the wonderful colors I can see now."

Musselman is not able to associate the various color sensations with names. That is one of the things he will have to learn. "I'm trying to read with my eyes already," he said today.

The doctors say I'll be able to soon. The alphabet is simple and when my sight's a little better, reading will be no trick at all."

He has been able to read with his fingers for years. Physicians expressed the belief that he will learn as much in three months about reading and writing as a child starting to school would learn in six years.

When Musselman looked at himself in a mirror he jokingly remarked that he "looked something like he thought a monkey looked." But he admitted that everybody, including himself, was better looking than his "mind picture" of them.

Though an ordinary room contains more wonders for him than Yellowstone Park has for those who have had their sight, that National Park is one of the things in particular Musselman wants to see. He said he would like to be a traveling salesman so that he would see "lots of the country."

DEFENSE OPENS TESTIMONY IN BROTHERS TRIAL

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On cross-examination by C. Wayland Brooks, assistant state's attorney, he admitted having known Piquett for seven or nine years.

Vincent O. Veitch, hotel clerk, was the first witness called by Piquett. He was in the Taylor Trunk Company store the day of the Lingle murder, he said.

Alfred W. Kelfstrom, buyer in the store, testified yesterday that Brothers hid in the store after Lingle's slaying.

Veitch said he went into the store to buy a bag but kept looking out the window to see a person with whom he had an appointment, and left abruptly.

Q. How were you dressed that day? A. Single-breasted gray suit

Golf Star Wins Again



Ty Cobb, big league baseball star and first citizen of Augusta, Georgia, presenting to Miss Helen Hicks of Long Island, N. Y., the diamond wrist watch emblematic of first place in the annual women's invitation medal golf tournament held in Augusta.

with a straw sailor hat.

Piquett turned Veitch over to the state without further questioning, with the implication that the defense intended to argue that Veitch was mistaken for Brothers.

On cross examination, the state inquired only the correct spelling of Veitch's name.

Only a dozen persons were excluded when the courtroom doors were opened. Most of the crowd was women.

Brothers was cheerful while he waited in a cell adjoining the courtroom. Unlike his serious attitude in court, he laughed as he and Harry Cantwell, defense attorney, conversed.

He wanted to be the first witness in his own defense, but his counsel decided to save his testimony until later.

Judge Joseph Sabath denied a motion by Tyrell V. Krum of the defense refusing to take the case from the jury and direct a verdict of acquittal. Krum declared the state had failed to establish that Brothers fired the bullet that killed Lingle. The state did not argue the motion.

Punishing Homicide

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U. S. WILL BUY CZAR'S LIBRARY

Washington, March 31.—(U.P.)—The Library of Congress has announced it will purchase part of the library which was once the property of the former royal family of Russia.

No mention was made of the price involved. The books will be obtained from Israel Perls, of New York, who acquired the Russian collection a few months ago from a State concern dealing in books in Soviet Russia.

The collection is said to embrace about 1,700 volumes. It includes books that belonged to Alexander II, Alexander III, Nicholas II, the Count Alexis, and the Empress Marie Feodorovna, wife of Alexander III.

The collection formerly was in the Winter Palace at Leningrad. The purchase includes numerous

secret documents embracing more than 50 volumes which belonged to the general staff of the Russian army and navy, and to the Russian government. The books are printed in Russian, French, German, English and other languages.

Beauty Queen in Trouble
Amsterdam, Mar. 31.—(U.P.)—Disciplinary action is threatened against the Amsterdam girl who recently was elected "Miss Holland" in a beauty contest because she has been playing truant from school. Action also may be taken against her parents for neglect of the education act.

Powerful Voice Helps
Phoenix, Ariz., Mar. 31.—(U.P.)—A powerful voice is a big aid, judging from the performance of Senator W. W. Midgeley, the Republican in the Arizona legislature who frequently forces a vote because his voice drowns out the votes of the

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BERNE SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED

Nineteen games have been scheduled for the Berne Bears for the 1931-32 season, according to the schedule announced Monday by Harold Johnson, coach. The Decatur Commodores will be met twice, at Decatur, January 6 and at Berne, February 12. One open date remains on the schedule, which follows:

Oct. 31—Rockcreek, here.
Nov. 6—Madison, here.
Nov. 13—Hartford, there.
Nov. 20—Bluffton, there.
Nov. 24—New Haven, here.
Dec. 4—Kirkland, there.
Dec. 5—Saratoga, there.
Dec. 11—Monroeville, here.
Dec. 18—Hartford, here.
Jan. 1—Ossian, there.
Jan. 2—Petroleum, here.
Jan. 6—Decatur Catholics, there.
Jan. 8—Open.
Jan. 15—Montpelier, there.
Jan. 16—Petroleum, there.
Jan. 23—Roanoke, here.
Jan. 29 and 30—Open for County tourney.
Feb. 12—New Haven, there.
Feb. 15—Decatur Catholics, here.
Feb. 19—Kirkland, here.
Feb. 26—Monroeville, there.

HOLD RITES FOR KIRKLAND LADY

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August 27, 1874 to J. W. Stoneburner, who is deceased.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. O. V. Dilling of Kirkland Township; Mrs. John Arnold of near this city; and Miss Victoria Stoneburner at home; and three sons, A. K. Stoneburner and Floyd Stoneburner of Kirkland township; and Miles Stoneburner of Toccoa.

UNION MEETING ON GOOD FRIDAY

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churches. Following is the program: Let us prayerfully prepare our hearts for worship. Theme: "A Call From The Cross."

12:00—Organ Prelude.
12:04—Invocation.
12:05—Address—"Charity"—Luke 23:34 Rev. H. H. Ferntheil Solo—"At the Cross" Nevins Paul Sauer.

12:30—Address "Mercy"—Luke 23:43 Rev. A. R. Fledderjohann Quartet—"They Crucified Him" Whyte

Mrs. B. F. Shroyer, Mrs. D. Goldner, O. L. Kirsch, Leo Kirsch

12:55—Address—"Filial Piety"—John 19:26-27. Rev. R. E. Vance Duet—"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"—Peace Rosamon Hoagland, Alice Vance

1:20—Address—"Agony of Christ"—John 19:28. Rev. B. H. Franklin, Solo—"Sheep and Lambs"—Homer

Mrs. Dan Tyndall 1:45—Address—"The Humanity of Christ"—Mark 15:34. Rev. M. W. Sunderman Duet—"There's A Green Hill Far Away"—Stebbins Madeline Spahr and Martha Jane Linn.

2:10—Address—"Perfection"—John 19:30. Rev. A. B. Brown Duet—"The Christ of the Cross"—Huston

Mrs. C. E. Bell and Mrs. A. B. Brown 2:35—Address—"True Sonship"—Luke 23:46. Rev. C. R. Lanman Solo—"The Man of Sorrows"—Adams Josephine Anderson

3:00—Benediction.

ASSESSORS IN MEETING TODAY

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Automobiles are being assessed at the "blue book" values, the assessors stated. No automobile is assessed for less than \$30, even though the price for it is less than that amount.

About half of the assessing work is completed, John F. Felty, county assessor stated. The assessors have until May 15 to complete the work.

Happiness in Church Life

At eighteen, when the keenness for games has diminished and work is becoming monotonous, says an English clergyman, girls interested in church life and work are the happiest persons in their communities.