

TALKING IT OVER
WITH JOE WILLIAMS

HEADING NORTH, March 20.—Memories still linger of a rare baseball picture that was undraped before the excited gaze of a few hundred baseball fans sitting in a sprawling wooden grandstand in Augusta, Ga., the other day—a picture heretofore reserved exclusively for the aficionados of the game.

Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker picked up their gloves and trotted out to the outfield to play side by side for a common cause. It was the first time

these two famous veterans ever had appeared in the same line-up caparisoned in the livery of the same ball club.

There never has been a greater hitter or base runner, taking him year in and year out, than Cobb, and for all-round artistry plus a consistency at the plate there never has been an outfielder who measured up to the gray-topped Texan.

Until George Herman Ruth came along with his fifty-two-ounce bat, Cobb, then with the Tigers, and Speaker, first with the Red Sox and later with the Indians, completely dominated all discussions pertaining to the science of outfielding.

WHENEVER anybody felt the urge coming on to commit an all-star baseball team he started out with two players about whose qualifications there could be no dispute—Cobb in right and Speaker in center.

A part of the formula, invariably respected, was the writing of a paragraph in which the claim was boldly made that any team having Cobb and Speaker in its line-up would be hard to beat, or words to that general plaudite effect.

Of course, that was in the days gone by. Cobb and Speaker are still good, but like Mr. Dempsey's legs and the Tenth Avenue mile cars, make an interesting addition to the baseball merry-go-round.

Both have passed the age where genius burns brightest in baseball. Cobb was 41 in December. Speaker will be 40 in April. Years ago, their joint presence on any ball club would have made that club a winning combination. Today it is different. You hear many smart baseball men say they will hand help the Athletics rather than help them.

Maybe so. That is another story. I'm wondering how much more luster Cobb and Speaker would have added to their records if they had come along later. Say, six or seven years ago, when the lively ball was just beginning to make its imprint on the records of the game.

COBB always was a better ball player than Speaker. He was a better hitter and a better base runner, and while he used to be a great gate attraction he was never the gate attraction Ruth is. I think it is pretty safe to say there will never be another gate attraction like Ruth. Blending as he does, a vast personal appeal with the most terrific punch the game ever has known.

Ruth would have been a great ball player under any circumstances. In fact, he was in the process of demonstrating this as a left-handed pitcher before he turned to the home run bat.

Rozelle Beaten by Billy Meyers

Billy Meyers of West Indianapolis handed Harry (Kid) Rozelle a lacing in the six-round top go of the Belle Vieu A. A. show at the Princess Theatre Monday night. Rozelle was down four times, but showed game in constantly forcing the fight.

Billy L. Johnson, for Kid Malone in the four-round semi-windup, outpointed Young Buck, of Louisville. Young Buck outpointed Harvey Wise, four rounds.

Billy Sommers defeated Jake Smith, four rounds.

The Kid Klain-Stup Jenkins bout was declared "no contest" by the referee in the fifth round. A large crowd attended the show.

PRELIM ROLLER RACE

As a preliminary to the five-mile roller race between Bobby Monroe of this city and Carl Wenzel, world's mile champion, next Saturday night at the Riverside ring, Manager Parker of the rink has arranged a half-mile sprint between Eugene Stark of Ft. Wayne and Clyde Addison of Indianapolis.

COMPLETE CIRCUIT

GALESBURG, Ill., March 20.—Representatives of six clubs met here to complete organization of the Central Baseball Association, a class "D" circuit, which will include Moberly and Hannibal, Mo., Keokuk, Iowa; and Jacksonville, Kewanee and Galesburg, Ill.

'Merrily We Roll'

ON Feb. 10 Norman E. Isaacs, assistant sports editor of The Times and conductor of "Off The Backboard" selected Martinsville to win the State high school basketball championship.

C. R. Feirrell, of 1532 Ashland Ave., differed and offered a friendly wager to Isaacs. Feirrell picking Muncie and the loser to wheel the victor around the Circle in a wheelbarrow. The wager was accepted with the provision Feirrell was to provide the wheelbarrow.

The Bearcats won and so Thursday at 12:30 The Times sports writer will commence his task of trudging Feirrell around the Circle in said barrow. 'Twas a bet!

Tribe Outfield Finds Punch in Tilt With St. Louis Cardinals

Combination of Poor Fielding, Poor Umpiring Knocks Indians Out of Victory; Betzel Pleased.

BY EDDIE ASH
Times Sports Editor

PLANT CITY, Fla., March 20.—Bruno Betzel's Indians got more runs against the St. Louis Cardinals at Avon Park Monday than they totalled in three exhibition tilts against International League opponents last week, but unfortunately, the Cardinals scored one more and annexed the honors, 9 to 8. A combination of erratic fielding and poor umpiring knocked the Tribe out of victory, but there were some good points to chuckle over. Danny Boone and Steve Swetonic did the pitching for the Indians and pleased the bosses, for the defeat was no fault on their part. Roy Spencer caught a fine game, poled one hit and lined out once on a terrific swat straight into Lester Bell's glove.

Herman Layne drove out a home run and single and thereby indicated he has found his batting eye after getting away to a poor start in the exhibition business. Five of the Tribe's ten hits were made by the outfields and this fact pleased Manager Betzel because he figures the real punch of his club must come from the fly chasers.

Fred Haney at third performed in his customary starry style and collected a single, a double and sacrificed twice. A throw from right field by Mueller was another feature, the peg cutting down a Cardinal runner at third. This hustling out-fielder relieved Russell and smacked one safe in two attempts. More and more, Mueller becomes impressive as a ball hawk and a general all-around expert in the diamond profession.

That about blankets the good points of the play of the Indians Monday.

Looking at the contest from a pessimistic standpoint the shaky work of Warstler at shortstop crops to the surface. He exploded with three errors in the ninth that ruined the Indians. One of the boots was excused and apparently belonged to one of the field umpires who happened to be a member of the Cardinals.

The box score shows Warstler with four errors, in the game, however, and three of the mistakes were bobbles. The ground of Avon Park was lightning fast compared with the field at Plant City and Manager Betzel was inclined to believe the young shortstop was put out of gear for that reason.

The "Rabbit" had seven assists and one putout, however, and his work in the ninth looked very much as though he went to pieces in the pinch. He needs plenty more expert coaching and more games under his belt before his true worth can be judged.

The Indians went back to the double practice routine here today. They play three more games this week, meeting Buffalo here Wednesday, Buffalo again Friday at Palmetto and Cincinnati at Orlando Saturday. The diamonds are in good shape at Palmetto and Orlando and it will be the Indians good to play on them for they are in need of practice on fast infields.

The trip to Avon Park Monday was long and tiresome for the Tribe pastimers. The journey and game killed the entire day for the athletes.

It was a sad ninth for the Hoosiers. When the Cardinals went to bat for the last time Indianapolis was leading 8 to 6. Warstler booted Martin's roller. Blades bounced to Swetonic, who threw to Warstler in an effort to start a double play. The throw was poor, but Warstler nailed it and apparently brushed the sack, but the umpire said "no" and both runners were safe. Frisch singled, scoring Martin. Warstler erred on Bottomley's grounder and Blades counted with the tying run. Hafey doubled and Frisch trotted home with the winning run. The only stolen bases went to Mueller and Warstler. On a double steal, the former scoring in the seventh.

Holke was gyped out of a hit in the first inning by an umpire's poor judgment. Three umpires were used, Moran, a regular, behind the plate, and two St. Louis men, Onslow and Haines, in the field. The shoddy work of Onslow and Haines moved Owner Jim Jerry of the Indians to order that Umpire John Kelley of Indianapolis be taken on the road trips. Kelley has been handling Tribe games in Plant City.

Leaders Hold Places

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 20.—Bowlers from twenty-eight cities rolled in the annual American Bowling Congress championships here Monday without changing the leadership in any of the five events.

N. Doll, Chicago, rolled 1,881, to go into third place behind Joe Williams, Chicago, and B. Briske, Flint, Mich., tied for the lead in all-events competition.

Fights and Fighters

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 20.—Frank Frisch, in the first stanza Monday and the second great sacker struck out swinging. He got two singles later in the fracas.

Efforts by the Indians to land Babe Herman, first sacker with Brooklyn, appear hopeless. At least Manager Betzel and Seeretary Clauer think so.

BASKET TILT TONIGHT

PHILADELPHIA, March 20.—Princeton and Pennsylvania will meet in the Palestra here tonight in the play-off game for the eastern inter-collegiate basketball championship. All of the ten thousand seats were disposed of several days ago.

PREPARE FOR REGATTA

MADISON, Wis., March 20.—Wisconsin's oarsmen are toiling daily on the rowing machines in the armory annex here, preparing for the Poughkeepsie regatta June 19.

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Olympic Trip Is Possibility for Amateurs

A. A. U. Boxing Tournament at Armory Next Week End.

A trip to the Olympic games is a possibility for winners in the annual Indiana-Kentucky A. A. boxing tournament, to be held Friday and Saturday evenings of next week at the Armory. Tryouts for places on the United States boxing team to compete in the Olympic will be held in the East later, and any outstanding leather-pushers in the local meet will receive consideration.

A very colorful entry list is being compiled for the meet, and teams from Notre Dame, Indiana University, Wabash College, Culver Military Academy, the Gary "Y" and the Louisville (Ky.) A. A. together with numerous unattached boxers are expected to enter.

Arthur Paetz, Indianapolis A. A. official, in charge of entries, now is sending out application blanks, and is anxious to get in touch with unattached boxers. He asks all amateur fisticuffs not identified with any organization write him at 1050 S. East St.

The tournament will be under the direction of A. A. U. officials and rules, the local American Legion post merely sponsoring the event to guarantee against any loss.

LAYTON STEPS OUT

NEW YORK, March 20.—Johnny Layton assured himself of second place in the American Three-Cushion Billiard League when he won his last match against Harry Wakefield, 50-37. The victory gave Layton an advantage over Allen Hall.

ST. LOUIS

	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Matthews, cf.	1	1	1	0	0	0
Jacobson, cf.	1	1	1	0	0	0
Haney, 3b	3	2	2	2	1	0
B. Russell, rf	3	0	2	0	0	0
Mueller, rf	3	0	2	0	0	0
Holke, 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Warstler, ss	4	0	1	1	0	0
Boone, p	1	0	0	1	0	0
Swetonic, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	8	10	24	17	2
<i>None out when winning run scored in ninth. Roberts ran for Boone in seventh.</i>						
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Martin, rf	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Frisch, 2b	5	2	3	4	2	0
Bottomley, 1b	4	0	1	12	0	0
Hafey, cf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Stolz, Bases on Balls, Warstler	4	0	1	2	0	0
Sacrifice Hits—Haney, 1b; Bottomley, 2b; Frisch, 3b	4	0	1	3	0	0
Bases on Balls—Off Frisch, 2b; off Boone, 1b; off Franchise, 1b; off Kauffman, 2b; Struck Out—By Boone, 3; by Kauffman, 4; by Frisch, 5; by Bottomley, 6; by Stolz, 7; by Warstler, 8; by Frisch, 9; by Bottomley, 10; by Frisch, 11; by Stolz, 12; by Warstler, 13; by Frisch, 14; by Stolz, 15; by Warstler, 16; by Frisch, 17; by Stolz, 18; by Warstler, 19; by Frisch, 20; by Stolz, 21; by Warstler, 22; by Frisch, 23; by Stolz, 24; by Warstler, 25; by Frisch, 26; by Stolz, 27; by Warstler, 28; by Frisch, 29; by Stolz, 30; by Warstler, 31; by Frisch, 32; by Stolz, 33; by Warstler, 34; by Frisch, 35; by Stolz, 36; by Warstler, 37; by Frisch, 38; by Stolz, 39; by Warstler, 40; by Frisch, 41; by Stolz, 42; by Warstler, 43; by Frisch, 44; by Stolz, 45; by Warstler, 46; by Frisch, 47; by Stolz, 48; by Warstler, 49; by Frisch, 50; by Stolz, 51; by Warstler, 52; by Frisch, 53; by Stolz, 54; by Warstler, 55; by Frisch, 56; by Stolz, 57; by Warstler, 58; by Frisch, 59; by Stolz, 60; by Warstler, 61; by Frisch, 62; by Stolz, 63; by Warstler, 64; by Frisch, 65; by Stolz, 66; by Warstler, 67; by Frisch, 68; by Stolz, 69; by Warstler, 70; by Frisch, 71; by Stolz, 72; by Warstler, 73; by Frisch, 74; by Stolz, 75; by Warstler, 76; by Frisch, 77; by Stolz, 78; by Warstler, 79; by Frisch, 80; by Stolz, 81; by Warstler, 82; by Frisch, 83; by Stolz, 84; by Warstler, 85; by Frisch, 86; by Stolz, 87; by Warstler, 88; by Frisch, 89; by Stolz, 90; by Warstler, 91; by Frisch, 92; by Stolz, 93; by Warstler, 94; by Frisch, 95; by Stolz, 96; by Warstler, 97; by Frisch, 98; by Stolz, 99; by Warstler, 100; by Frisch, 101; by Stolz, 102; by Warstler, 103; by Frisch, 104; by Stolz, 105; by Warstler, 106; by Frisch, 107; by Stolz, 108; by Warstler, 109; by Frisch, 110; by Stolz, 111; by Warstler, 112; by Frisch, 113; by Stolz, 114; by Warstler, 115; by Frisch, 116; by Stolz, 117; by Warstler, 118; by Frisch, 119; by Stolz, 120; by Warstler, 121; by Frisch, 122; by Stolz, 123; by Warstler, 124; by Frisch, 125; by Stolz, 126; by Warstler, 127; by Frisch, 128; by Stolz, 129; by Warstler, 130; by Frisch, 131; by Stolz, 132; by Warstler, 133; by Frisch, 134; by Stolz, 135; by Warstler, 136; by Frisch, 137; by Stolz, 138; by Warstler, 139; by Frisch, 140; by Stolz, 141; by Warstler, 142; by Frisch, 143; by Stolz, 144; by Warstler, 145; by Frisch, 146; by Stolz, 147; by Warstler, 148; by Frisch, 149; by Stolz, 150; by Warstler, 151; by Frisch, 152; by Stolz, 153; by Warstler, 154; by Frisch, 155; by Stolz, 156; by Warstler, 157; by Frisch, 158; by Stolz, 159; by Warstler, 160; by Frisch, 161; by Stolz, 162; by Warstler, 163; by Frisch, 164; by Stolz, 165; by Warstler, 166; by Frisch, 167; by Stolz, 168; by Warstler, 169; by Frisch, 170; by Stolz, 171; by Warstler, 172; by Frisch, 173; by Stolz, 174; by Warstler, 175; by Frisch, 176; by Stolz, 177; by Warstler, 1						