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When Frank Chance, manager of the Chicago Nationals, was struck on the head by a ball hurled by Pitcher Gasper of Cincinnati recently it recalled the fact that many star baseball players have lost their effectiveness through being hit by thrown balls.

That more batsmen are not injured by being hit by pitched balls speaks well for the skill of the present day pitcher. In the old days the pitcher would not infrequently let one go straight at the batter's head in order to drive him away from the plate. Such a proceeding is rare nowadays. Working the edges of the plate seems to have proved more effective. Nevertheless the fire the batter faces is dangerous.

One of the worst cases of head hitting was that of Hugh Jennings, now manager of the Detroit club, by Amos Rusie. Jennings, with Baltimore then, was noted for his close hugging of the plate and his willingness to accept a base by being hit by the pitcher. He relied upon his quickness of eye to minimize the effect of the blow. Rusie had a wide, jumping curve ball. Jennings was jumping to turn his shoulder, accept a deflected blow or let it hit his shirt front or the back of his knickerbockers. He could do this with pitchers of average curve, but Rusie's curve was too sharp in the break and too fast for him to avoid. Jennings stood close and got one full in the head. He fell flat. For four days his life was despaired of, but a powerful constitution pulled him through, though he never was the same nifty man again at the plate, and it was months before he could play.

Jennings, by the way, is an extremely durable person. While at Cornell he dived face first against the concrete bottom of an empty swimming tank. The man is a marvel of vitality and energy. He sustained two shocks that would have killed the average man, yet he is as full of energy today as a dynamo.

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Batted balls injure very few players, though the way men hit them about in practice would often make one wonder that accidents are not more frequent. The most notable accident of this sort was when Schriver of Pittsburgh hit William Hart of the same club on the chin with a ball batted in practice. The drive shattered Hart's jaw. It was wired up again. Hart is now fifty years old and is rated high among the pitchers of the Southern league.

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## Addie Joss of the Cleveland Americans



### DAVIS IS ATHLETICS' STANDBY

Mack's First Sacker One of Best  
Players and Field Generals.

There is just one individual of Mack persuasion, not even excepting the incomparable Eddie Collins, whom the Philadelphia American league team cannot spare without irreparable loss. That man is Harry Davis, Mack's captain, who today is one of the best all around first basemen in the fast set. Hal Chase of New York is sprier and younger in years than Davis, but for actual good to a team Davis is the king of all fast basemen in the big show.

The oldest man on the team, Davis is today one of its leading pacemakers in batting and run getting, while, in addition, he is the whip of the club.

Davis' worth to the Athletics cannot be found in the batting and fielding statistics issued each year by President Johnson. His value does not end in driving a brother Mackman home with a base hit, although he performs this office as much as anybody else on the team.

It was Davis who aided Mack in turning the young players into stars and stars into legends.

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## BASEBALL

### NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	48	28	.632
New York	43	31	.581
Pittsburgh	39	32	.549
Cincinnati	40	37	.519
Philadelphia	36	38	.486
St. Louis	34	44	.438
Brooklyn	33	44	.429
Boston	30	49	.380

### AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Philadelphia	52	24	.684
New York	46	31	.597
Boston	46	32	.590
Detroit	44	36	.550
Cleveland	33	39	.458
Chicago	31	45	.408
Washington	30	47	.390
St. Louis	23	51	.311

### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Minneapolis	42	32	.600
St. Paul	38	33	.538
Toledo	31	38	.447
Kansas City	42	42	.500
Columbus	39	46	.459
Milwaukee	38	49	.437
Indianapolis	36	54	.400
Louisville	32	54	.372

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

National League.  
New York 5; Cincinnati 0.  
Philadelphia 6; St. Louis 3.  
Chicago 6-7; Brooklyn 0-4.

American League.  
Detroit 1; Washington 0.

American Association.  
Milwaukee 1-5; Indianapolis 0-6 (1st game 10 innings).  
Toledo 1-0; Minneapolis 0-5. (1st game 13 innings).  
Columbus 3-5; St. Paul 2-1 (1st game 12 innings).  
Kansas City-Louisville-Rain.

### GAMES TODAY.

National League.  
New York at Cincinnati.  
Brooklyn at Chicago.  
Boston at Pittsburgh.  
Philadelphia at St. Louis.

American League.  
St. Louis at New York.  
Cleveland at Washington.  
Detroit at Boston.  
Chicago at Philadelphia.

American Association.  
Minneapolis at Toledo.  
Milwaukee at Indianapolis.  
Kansas City at Louisville.  
St. Paul at Columbus.

First English Book on Sport.  
The first book on sport ever printed in the English language was a rhymed treatise called the "Boke of St. Albans." Its author being a woman. Dame Juliana Berners. Its second edition was printed by Wynkyn de Worde in 1496. A descendant of her family, Lord Berners, was the translator of Froissart's "Chronicles." It is true that old manuscripts existed, such as the "Venerie de Twecy" of the time of Edward II., but it was Dame Juliana who was the real ancestress of sporting literature in England, for she also composed an essay on hawking and another on "Fishing With an Angle," the last being of such excellence that Isaac Walton himself did take a hint from its pages.

Banks in Mexico.  
When a bank fails in Mexico all the officials connected with it suffer more than the depositors. The depositors may lose their money, but the hand of the Mexican law descends heavily on every one of importance connected with the failed bank and slaps him into jail before the paste is dry on the notice that is stuck up on the closed door.

Monuments of Woe.  
"Did you notice Mr. Jones' new teeth?" asked Mrs. Sharpey. "I never saw anything so ghastly. They look like grave stones."  
"Yes," said Miss Sizzle Cal; "I presume he had them placed in memory of his last ones."

## SMALL PITCHING STAFFS CARRIED

Modern Managers Rely on  
Fewer, But More Reliable  
Slab Artists.

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ERS WHILE THE MAJORITY OF  
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That long pitching strings are no longer necessary and that four or five dependable men are worth two or three times that number of ordinary twirlers is a fact.

Previously the necessity of having seven men, each one ready at all times to take his turn at box, was a point that was emphasized by managers. And during last season, too, the major league manager who did not have at least six available men for the box figured that he was heavily handicapped in the fight for the coveted bunting.

Things have changed, however. The wonderful work of the Pittsburgh pitchers last season and the now very patent fact that four twirlers practically did the brunt of the work for the Pirates have given managers and owners cause for believing that too many pitchers are worth hardly as much as none at all.

Last season, with Camnitz, Willis, Maddox and Leliefeld performing in their turn, the Pirates were up in the race throughout the entire season, and they finally drew away easily from all other competitors at the end. In previous years it was the pitching of Mordecai Brown, Pfeister, Overall and Reubach that won for the Cubs, and every one for years has realized that Christie Mathewson has been the real mainstay of the Giants. This only goes to show the value of one good pitcher to a team. With four dependable boxmen the ordinary manager should be reasonably well satisfied.

In 1909 the Red Sox had one of the biggest strings of pitchers in the country. They had Hall, Karger, Wood, Clitte, Matthews, Arelanes, Fape, Wolter and Schlitzer at the season's end, while previously there were Ryan, Chech, Steele and Morgan as members of the pitching corps. And yet had Morgan pitched the ball for Boston that day he did for the Athletics and Young had been retained, these two, with Arelanes and one other reliable man to take his turn in the box, might easily have beaten out both the Athletics and Tigers and brought the pennant to Boston.

The better part of the pitching for Connie Mack's club was done by four men, Plank, Bender, Krause and Morgan, and they are doing the same thing this year. Four or five regular men on any team would be worth double as much as a string of nine or ten men with only one or two of them in first class pitching condition.

Too many pitchers are a hindrance instead of a help. If Clotte, Wood and Wolter had been in shape to help out Arelanes last season the pitching staff of the Red Sox would not have been the weakest in the American league. But the weakness of Wood, the injury to Clotte and the bad start that Wolter got in the spring handicapped the team so heavily that Arelanes was forced to do pretty nearly half the pitching for his team.

Managers and owners both are beginning to realize the folly of keeping five or six able-bodied men upon the bench while the bulk of the work is left to a couple of good men and a lot of second stringers. Traveling is expensive, and salaries today are at a pretty high figure. If the work could be got out of five men the saving both in traveling expenses, salary and general efficiency would be considerable and owners would be willing to tack a snug slice on to the compensation of the five dependable men who could go in and do their regular stunts.

### LONG TRIP IN LAUNCH.

Chicago Woman and Son Travel 6,312 Miles in Great Cruise.

A remarkable river, ocean, canal and lake motorboat journey was concluded recently when the Catherine M., a thirty-five foot cruising launch, carrying Ralph M. Pearson and his mother, Mrs. Kate Pearson, came into dock in Chicago river.

May 3, 1909, the boat started from the spot at which she docked and completed the cruise down the Mississippi to the Atlantic, along the Gulf coast, north along the Atlantic coast, up the Hudson, through the Erie canal, across Lakes Erie and Huron, through the strait of Mackinac and up Lake Michigan to the river—6,312 miles.

Will Row For the Championship.  
Ernest Barry, the English champion, has left England for South Africa, whence he will travel to the Zambesi, where on Aug. 18 he will row Ararat for the world's sculling championship. Barry was in splendid shape when he left England and very confident of making a good race for the title. He is a fine oarsman and has created new records on the Thames during his training for the forthcoming trial.

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## One of the Cubs' Reliables



Jack Pfeister, one of the old reliable twirlers of the Chicago Cubs, who has won three out of four games this season. Pfeister has been on the side lines daily and is warming up in good shape after a slight sickness. Pfeister is here shown winding up to hurl one of his puzzling curves.

## A FATAL JOY RIDE

Woman Comes Home Intoxicated and Her Jealous Husband Slays Her.

HE THEN SHOOTS HIMSELF

Columbus, O., July 18.—"I'll have to kill you some time, and I might as well do it now," Carl J. Cly told his wife in their flat on Chittenden avenue a few minutes after 1 o'clock Sunday morning. Then he fired two shots.

Mrs. Cly threw up her hand and the first one went through her wrist. The second went through her heart, but she opened the door and ran across the hall to the apartments of Mrs. Charles Murphy and fell dying in the arms of a lodger named John Stonehouse.

As Stonehouse laid her stiffening form on Mrs. Murphy's bed he heard a third shot. Cly had shot himself through the right lung. He then ran downstairs and stood on the curb, when neighbors attracted by the shots arrived. He then went upstairs and fell across the bed. He was taken to Protestant hospital where it was said he had a chance to recover. He also said his wife shot him.

The quarrel was one of many in the three years of their wedded life. Mrs. Cly as Alice Donaldson of Newark, married a man named Heckert. She met Cly, they became infatuated and Cly provided the money with which she secured a divorce. Then they married. Once they separated, but recently they lived together again.

Saturday night she went out, ostensibly to call on a girl friend, and was to return at 9 o'clock. Cly sat on a second story balcony and watched for her until 1 o'clock in the morning, when she returned intoxicated in an automobile with two men and another woman. When she got upstairs he taxed her with infidelity and after a brief quarrel shot her. The testimony of both Stonehouse and Mrs. Murphy discredits his story that she shot him.

Cly is 25 and she was 27. Her family came from Newark, where it is said her father was once coroner of Licking county. Cly's family has lived at Lancaster for several generations.

A Pleasant Surprise.

A small boy of Washington square, brought up by a fire eating father, to hate anything connected with England or the English, was convinced recently to eat dinner in the kitchen with his nurse while the family entertained a genuine M. I. in the dining room. The growlup's meal had come to that "twenty minutes past" stage where conversation talks directly when a childlike treble fell upon the horrified diners' ears piping up the dumb waiter shaft from the kitchen. This was what the astonished M. I. heard:

Pa. n. to. fum.  
I smell the blood of an Englishman.  
—New York Mail.

Grand Law.

A traveler getting outside of St. Petersburg discovered when he tried to re-enter the city that he had left his passport in the bedroom of his hotel. The guards refused to let him pass and refused to send for the passport. "According to you," said he, "the only thing for me to do is to throw myself in the Neva."

"No," said the sentry; "suicide in Russia is strictly against the law."

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