

SPOTLIGHTS
ON SPORT

by JACK KEENE

ANY big league magnate who has the price can buy all the big league players on the payrolls of the two New York clubs, with the exception of seven. That's according to recent statements from the headquarters of the Giants and Yankees, owning all said diamond stars in the Gotham ball parks.

McGraw some time ago got rid of the remark that he would sell any members of his club with the exception of three men. This trio was composed of Frankie Frisch, Travis Jackson and Ross Young. Fans gen-

erally were interested in the fact that this sale-proof list did not include George Kelly, lanky first baseman, or young Rosy Bill Ryan—who seems to have the makings of a great pitcher.

Now comes Ed Barrow to bat with the statement that the Yankees will sell—for their own price—every member of the outfit with the exception of four men.

The four are Babe Ruth, Aaron Ward, Joe Duggan and Samuel Jones. The names of Joe Bush, Bob Meusel and Wally Pipp are conspicuous by their absence. Likewise is that of Wally Schang.

It is an odd coincidence that two of the players on each team that are rated too valuable to sell are young infielders. Jackson's booked to play Bancroft's old position at short for the Giants, and Frankie Frisch will

captain that club while playing second. Aaron Ward, second baseman, and Joe Duggan at third are the star members of the Yank infield. Ward is as brilliant a shortstop as he is a keystone artist, so that, in event of Eddie Collins joining the Yank forces, Ward will be moved to the shortfield to make room for the veteran White Sox star.

While there is no doubt but what these players mentioned are now for sale, there are at least three other players on each club that will remain with their respective teams for a season or so unless someone lays the U. S. mint on Jawn McGraw's front doorstep or Miller Huggin's desk.

MOSE SOLOMON, the Jewish slugger who drew an enormous amount of publicity when the Giants

bought him from a bush league club last fall, must delay his debut in the big show a while. John McGraw has faith that the little Hebrew lad will make a great player but has decided that the kid needed more seasoning. A few days ago, therefore, McGraw sent him to the Toledo club with a string attached.

Solomon won the nickname of "Hickory Mose" through his terrific clouting for the Hutchinson club of the Southwestern league. He hit over 400 and slammed out 49 home runs. The price the Giants paid for him approximated that dished out for Jack Bentley and Jimmy O'Connell, it is said.

He will return to the big show before next September, according to the critics who have seen him in action.

SPEAKING of the Giants, an old-time member of McGraw's outfit is moving camp this spring. He is Billy Gilbert, once McGraw's second baseman. Gilbert will manage the Pittsfield team in the Eastern league the coming season and endeavor to lift it out of seventh place.

Gilbert managed the Waterbury club in the same circuit two years ago and then answered a call to Denver. The Western league club had finished last the previous season and Gilbert took the thankless job of trying to push it higher in the standings. He gave up the job after one year at it.

WOMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. Clara L. Curtis, chairman of the biennial committee of the Woman's club, wishes to announce that she has secured the services of the Occidental College glee club for a program to be given on the evening of February 26 at the Methodist church. Admission for adults, 50c; for all school children, 25c. The proceeds are to help defray the biennial expenses.

ENTERTAIN AT "BUNCO"

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McMaster of Cota avenue entertained at a "Bunco" party Saturday evening. Honors were awarded to Mrs. Wm. J. Cox, Mrs. Wm. Taylor, Wm. Taylor, and Mr. Chutes; consolation to Mrs. Chutes and J. E. McMaster. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest B. Parry of Fullerton, Calif. An enjoyable evening was had by all.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dunham of Compton were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Buzby of Narbonne avenue and Arizona street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Crittenden spent Sunday at Long Beach.

Mrs. Coy F. Farquhar and Mrs. Ivan Keyes of Redondo boulevard were guests Wednesday of friends in Long Beach.

Recent dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Fuller were Mr. and Mrs. George Eason of El Segundo and Messrs. Blagg and Compton.

H. B. Gilbert and brother, Karl Watts Gilbert, of George street, visited relatives at Sierra Madre Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Lyons of Eshelman avenue was the guest from Saturday until Tuesday of her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Madden, of Los Angeles.

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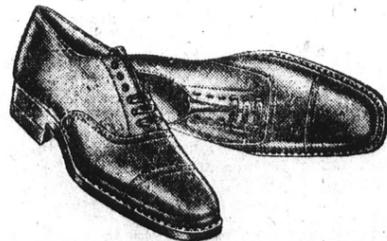
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