

SPOTLIGHTS ON SPORT

by JACK KEENE

HACK MILLER, Chicago Cub outfielder and slugger, is without a doubt the strongest man in baseball today.

"If Samson had much on him I would have liked a ringside seat when he put on his stuff," said Rube Marquard, Brave pitcher. Rube saw Miller perform several times last season.

One of Miller's favorite stunts is to put a spike between his teeth and let some one bend it.

"And Hack is modest about his strength," says Rube. "He points to his father as the real strong man and tells how the elder Miller can clasp his hands in front of his chest and resist the efforts of two teams of horses hitched to his two elbows to pull his hands apart."

Miller's name came up when Marquard told of the second injury he has suffered since his debut in the big show 16 seasons ago. Miller was the unintentional cause.

Rube was pitching against Miller and his Cub mates in the Cub park in Chicago last season. It so happened, Rube says, that two women in light dresses were directly back of Miller as Marquard pitched to him. Rube was working with a new ball. He hooked one over for Hack and the slugger swung at it. Marquard lost the ball against the background of

the white dresses, and the next thing he knew he woke up in the dugout. The ball had struck him on the left side of his jaw, knocking him unconscious.

"And the odd part of it was that the ball didn't even loosen a tooth for me, let alone crack my jaw bone," says the southpaw.

Danny Frush, remembered as the little English-Hebrew who tried in vain to take the featherweight crown from the graying head of Johnny Kilbane five years ago, has returned from his native haunts in England with a new string of scalps and large gobbs of hope.

Frush claims credit for dropping Billy Matthews in five rounds, Billy Bond in one less, and two other Europeans, John Curley and Mike

Honeyman, in one round each, while abroad. He had one real tough battle with Seaman Cartledge, which went 15 rounds to a decision and ended with Frush the victor.

As a result of his showing across the Atlantic, Frush believes he is entitled to matches with the top feathers in the United States.

Danny may give some of the boys a battle, but his quest for a title will be a vain one. He has passed the crest and still lacks what he always needed most—a fighting heart.

Bill Killefer, smiling manager of the Chicago Cubs, believes that Mr. John Blake, who lost 20 games and won but 13 for the Seattle Pacific Coast league club last season, will be a winning pitcher for the Cubs. That's a hunch Bill has and he says he'll stick to it.

Bill's brother Wade recommended Blake despite his apparently poor showing. Wade opined that the youngster had more stuff than any new pitcher that had bobbed up in recent years. His indifference alone kept him from showing that stuff. He was pitching listless ball all season, according to Wade, using an overhand, sidearm and underhand delivery, with no effort to adopt a regular style.

Now Wade may have had the right dope and Bill may find his hunch a good one, but do the big leagues need any more ball players that play listless ball just because conditions aren't exactly to their liking? However, Blake may shake this listlessness for good when he gets his chance.

HOTEL ERWIN HAPPENINGS

J. W. Erwin made a business trip to Redlands and San Bernardino Thursday.

Harry Turnstill, here recently from Norwalk, has entered the trucking business in the oil fields.

A. Bureson and J. P. Tierney were recent business visitors at Huntington Beach.

David W. Stinson enjoyed a trip through the San Fernando valley Sunday.

H. Munsen, formerly with the Johnson cafe, has returned to his home in Wyoming.

H. C. Jewell is mourning the death of his mother. Mr. Jewell received the news of her critical condition too late to reach the home at Jacksonville, Fla.

J. Morse, formerly with the Petroleum Midway, has accepted a position with the Shell Oil company.

F. A. Schmidt, a guest here for some time, has been called to Anaheim by the serious illness of his mother.

J. Head, registered from Los Angeles, is associated with the Ferncroft cafe.

Russell E. Puckett, who recently underwent an operation on the hand, has returned to his work with the U. S. Royalties company.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ward will leave in a few days for their ranch near Prince Rupert, B. C. Mr. Ward is associated with the Petroleum Securities company.

Paddy Purcell of Shreveport, La., and Frank Kiley of Redondo Beach, both with the Shell Oil company, are newcomers to the Erwin.

Leo Umsted, connected with the Standard Tool Works, has been under the doctor's care for several weeks. Mr. Umsted has just returned from a stay with friends at Whittier.

Oil men who have registered at the Erwin recently include W. J. Pierson, Los Angeles; Charles W. Suits, Monrovia; W. F. Riley, Stockton; R. Bixler, Culver City, and E. Martin, Jarbridge, Nev.

AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Dietrichson, shop teacher, is meeting his classes again, having recovered from several days' illness.

Work is constant on the play, "The Charm School," to be given at the dedication of the new auditorium. The music department, under the direction of Mrs. Elschen, is preparing a prologue that promises to be particularly good.

The freshmen are giving a Saint Patrick's day party next Friday evening, at which members of the faculty will be guests of honor.

And on the evening of the 21st the sophomores will entertain, and no seniors allowed. Each soph will invite one guest.

A representative of the University of California inspected the Torrance high school this week, and pronounced it on a par with other and larger of the city schools; in other words, Torrance high is in class A.

Over 2700 dishes were received this week for the school cafeteria. Some of the other equipment has been delayed, but the cafeteria will be in operation in a very short time, as the alterations to the three bungalows adjoining the new building are nearly completed.

With almost no overhead expenses, the student body will conduct the cafeteria on a small-profit basis. With the school buying in large quantities it will be possible to serve hot lunches cheaper than the mother can provide a cold one.

The schools have learned that a hot lunch at noon increases the efficiency of the pupils in the afternoon classes.

Free Health Lectures every night this week at the home of Harry Bale, 1957 Carson street, by Dr. E. L. Swick. Lectures start promptly at 8 p. m.

TORRANCE PERSONS AND PASTIMES

Comings, Goings and Doings of Folks Hereabouts

Accompanied by a number of school chums and members of the Compton high school faculty, Miss Dorothy Ray of North Arlington avenue enjoyed a trip to the mountains Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Fess and son Junior, of Arlington avenue, were recent lunch-guests of Mrs. C. L. Congdon of Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gourdiere of Gramerey avenue enjoyed a drive Sunday to Inglewood and Hollywood.

Mrs. Anna Kelly of San Diego and

Mrs. Marillo Jones of Los Angeles are guests this week of their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Jones, of 218th street.

Walter Crowell left last week for an extended stay in Monroe, La.

Miss Ione Barnett was a recent guest of Miss Dorothy Cook at the University of California, southern branch.

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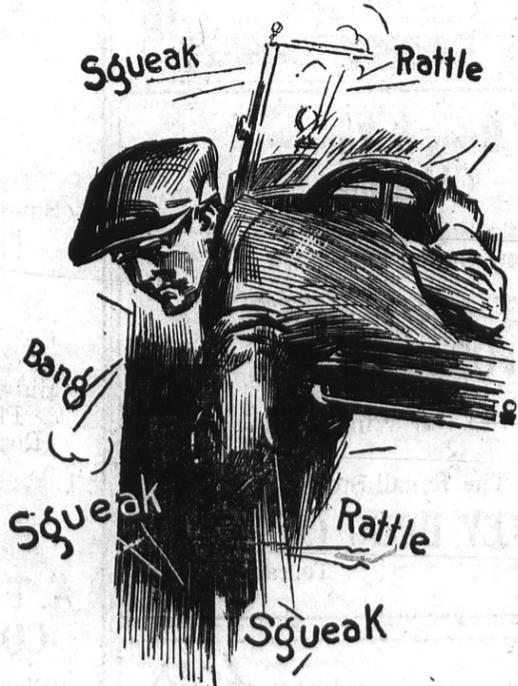
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