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Cochrane's Outlook on Baseball Proves Tragic Observation

IT HAD been a good interview. We had talked about the pennant race between the Yankees and the Tigers, two teams very much alike in that their power in their reliance rather than pitching coming. Cleveland, we had decided, was good but not quite good enough because the Indians never had the extra zip which wins games that are needed most. From there the talk turned to the lack which makes or breaks pennant contenders.

"We had it for years," Mickey Cochrane said. "And we won two flags. Last year we didn't have it and we lost. This year, well, we've had a lot of hard luck but we've stuck close. Who knows." He paused and rapped carefully on the wooden floor of the dugout.

"Who knows," he repeated. "I feel better I have for four or five years. It looks like how is ready to go for us and things are shaping up. But—" He paused again. "Well, anything can happen in baseball."

That was two or three minutes before game time. In the fifth inning Bumpy Hadley threw a fast ball. Cochrane stepped back. It was not a bean ball, should not have hit him. But when you have been in baseball a long while and have other things on your mind you become careless. The ball struck him on the right temple.

Almost immediately old-timers in the press box were heading towards it. It was a clubhouse. There was no need to watch Cochrane lay there on his side for a moment, and then will over on his back. The third of the ball a gain in the flesh, a dull, flat sound. The way the ball dropped to the ground indicated rebounding was a

Cochrane enough. You knew something serious had happened. You knew that everybody in the stands realized that Mickey might not ever have a bat on his shoulder again.

Things such as that happen in baseball in all sports. While you wait for X-rays and hope this one will not be serious you—You have been covering games for long—think about other ones.

There was that Polo Grounds afternoon seventeen years ago when Earl Mays threw his batting underhand fast ball and Ray Chapman, great Cleveland shortstop, was felled. There was the afternoon in St. Louis when you heard that sickening thud again and saw Burleigh Grimes standing in the dugout while Mel Ott lay silently beside the plate, lucky to be out only for the rest of the season.

Back through the years there are other memories of such moments. Merwin Jacobson ducking into two fast pitches during two years with Jack Dunn's famous pennant-winning Orioles. His life despaired of each time.

Click Fawcett, grinning as he stepped to the plate against his old friend in a Yankee-Dodger training season game. Fawcett still around town now, a silver plate in his skull as a memento of the fast ball that struck him down about second base. Roy Corban, White Sox shortstop, being led off the field, babbling to himself, never to be a real player again after being hit by Russ Ford's high hard one at the Old Hilltop grounds.

Mickey's Mishap Recalls Accident to Earl Combs

Little Pete Walker, a jockey playing in a pickup game against the racing writers at Saratoga last August, Earl Combs running into the fence in St. Louis. Neither remembered by a ball that rebounded from the fence in a Brooklyn-Boston contest.

Accidents, all of them. Yet—Well, somehow it is hard to get used to the scene. Even memories of moments when comedy has followed upon what might have been disaster does not really help.

There have been such moments. For instance the day when Larry Dierks was struck at the Polo Grounds. The crowd scarcely dared breathe while Larry sprawled beside home plate. Then some one brought a glass of water, lifted the great second baseman's head. Larry drank the water, arose, and he had been, grinning a white grin and stumbled down to first base.

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NOT IN THE BOX SCORE:

ST. LOUIS gossip insists Mrs. Dixie Dean now speaks to only one of the wives of her husband's teammates. . . . Eddie Arco, the jockey, is an amateur moving picture photographer. . . . Coach Cook, the fight manager, goes fishing once a week both winter and summer. . . . Metropolitan popularity prizes for the links ladies (that means golf) still go to Johnny Farrell, Ray Billows and Jimmy Hines the male squad, while Joan Hines leads the ladies.

Now that we've given their reluctant Australian barrier a trial, the Aussies are going to take a look at our stall box system of starting.

Have you noted that neither War Admiral nor Pommern went blinkers? Two game and honest thoroughbreds who don't sulk with out headgear or "the regius badge," as horse men picturesquely call it. . . . Narragansett park runs a riding academy for apprentice jockeys. . . . Governor Alfred is so dead set against racing that Tex. has spent \$200,000 for special legislative sessions designed to wipe out the betting laws.

Leo Durocher says only one top-ranking National pitcher falls to him off a couple of times when he comes to the plate. That's Carl Hubbell. . . . Al Schacht, the baseball comedian, is considering a three-year movie contract. George Burns, the old giant outfielder, conducts a poolroom in Glensville.

The A. U. might be interested to learn that three of the world's greatest millers will live in New York within a year. Archie Sam Roman is paid off after every game, getting a pound for their labor. Last year playing salaries ranged from \$10 to \$10 a week. 4,000 spectators was a high average attendance at a game.

Frankie Frisch's newest gag is that Umpire Barr, who runs an umpiring school, should go to one. Zach Taylor, heard out by the Dodger front office along with Casey Stengel last fall, is doing a swell job as manager of the Browns' San Antonio farm club. . . . Until they saw pictures of Mel Ott was the lad who secked young Doc Guttridge. Now they're talking about getting even with Adolf League, a fellow taking. People don't really make passes at old Adolf unless they are heard with the words of monkeying with buzz saws.

Fritz Crisler picks Harvard as the team to beat in the Big Three next fall. Alvin Karpis, a fellow who is a very pessimistic and surprising general of the Princeton football coach says his own Tigers will lose four games.

Another eminent authority eyeing the Crisler claims that as long as the present plan of line coaching is continued and Yale will never have a truly great eleven. Says only the sheer brilliancy of fellows like Frank and Kelley has kept the Bulldog's teeth sharp.

Frankie Blair, the Camden waterweight, whose right name is Frank Ferrell, never fought as an amateur. Eddie Walker, who now manages him, bought his contract several months ago for \$100 (borrowed from Jimmy Kelly). Since then Blair has had six fights at better than \$300 each.

War Admiral is the 100th horse to have won more than \$100,000 in purses while racing in the U. S.—Paul Gallico, the former sports journalist who now does magazine pieces, joins the International News Service as a featured correspondent soon—Dr. Oswald Lowrey, now an eminent surgeon at the New York hospital, was one of the nation's greatest swimmers when he attended Johns Hopkins almost twenty-five years ago.

National league players insist Dixie Dean has been applying leucoric to the ball to make it so funny tricks this year. Doc Danforth was the last pitcher to use that stunt effectively and they caught up with him many seasons ago—Horace Stoneham calls Jersey City's new record-book park in the country. You have to do no more than whisper that a big game is due before the customers line up for the preferred ducks.

Although phony favorites continue to prevail, fewer counterfeit bank notes have appeared at metropolitan racetracks this season than at any time within recent years—Terry Moore, Kentucky outsider, is an accomplished painter in oils—Unless these old eyes deceive me there's a fighter performing around St. Louis with the intriguing moniker of Benny deathspine—Here's a mark which various Dodgers can aim at: Eustace Newton, who pitched for the Cincinnati Reds, appeared in thirty-three games in 1900, and made it three.

Last but not least charity forces forced him out of the lineup recently Charley Gehring had been missing from the Tigers' battle front only twice in the last six years, losing a day once through an automobile accident and another game when struck on the leg by a thrown ball.

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BABY STRANDED

Mt. Holly, N. J.—While his mother was on route to a cemetery to arrange flowers on the grave of his brother, Gene, who died in a carriage, became entangled in the harness which was supposed to hold him in and struggled to escape.

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FINGERPRINTS STUDENTS. Arkansas City, Kan.—Sponsored by the Parent-Teachers Association, 3485 school children in this city have been fingerprinted by the police, fitting a positive identification system in every child in the school system.

Must We All Be Wanderers? Jew?

Headlines in Los Angeles Times: "Death Rate Shaking Jewish Community." Terrible news that we are reminded of the poet's lines: We may live without mourning, golfing and flying. But civilized man cannot live without crying.

Dayton, Texas—Visiting this town for the first time in more than eighteen years, although her home was only a mile from the city, Mrs. Oscar White, 68, remarked: "I am amazed at the changes."

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