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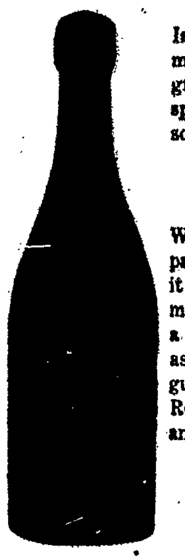

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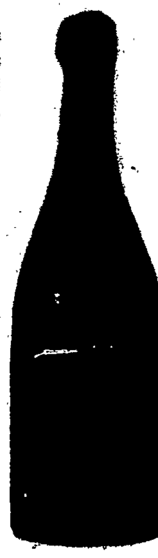

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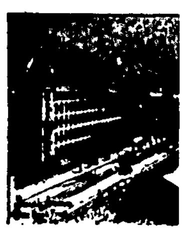

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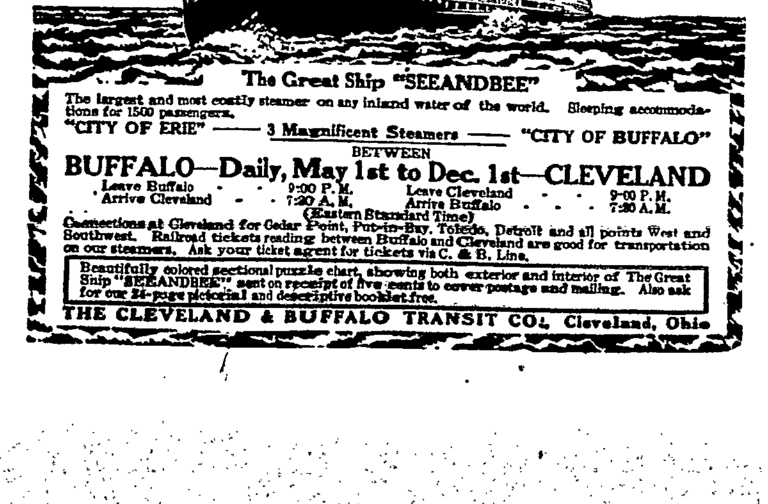

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Miller Huggins, Manager St. Louis Cardinals.

Photo by American Press Association.

Manager Miller Huggins of the St. Louis Nationals, is a fine field tactician as well as an excellent judge of the worth of a ball player. John McGraw of the New York Giants says Miller is the best developer of youngsters in the profession. When a regular player he was considered one of the top notch infielders of the National league. "Huggins was one of the most dangerous fellows in the major league list to get on the base lines," said a pitcher recently. "I would rather face Hans Wagner any time than to have Huggins come up in a pinch." Since Huggins took charge of the Cardinals, succeeding Roger Bresnahan, he has kept his team well up in the fight.

Some Freak Motorboats.

Among motorboats expected to set new records this year is Daddy De, a freak boat built in Pittsburgh. One might mistake the Daddy De for a submarine if she had a periscope. There are two main factors in boat construction that make high speed. They are the underbody and the engine. The propeller is a third. The underbody of the Daddy De is like that of other boats. Its shape above water is unique, offering little resistance to the wind. Many types of motorboats have been classed as freaks and have been of great value in motorboat construction. Much depends upon the character of the water navigated, however. Thus one might call the rift climbing boat a freak. Yet it has its uses in water where the average motorboat is useless. This design of boat has its propeller above the water line of the boat, in order to go over the rifts or over shallow places where an ordinary boat could not travel fast. In the bottom of this craft is a tunnel-like arrangement built above the floor level. Water is forced through this tube by an ingenious construction, and it is here the propeller revolves.

Baker on Ineligible List.

In signing Larry McLean, the veteran catcher, who was suspended for sixty days by the New York National league club, the Delaware county league has thrown down the gauntlet to the National baseball commission. The playing of McLean by Media also affects the standing of "Home Run" Baker, who is a member of the Upland club of the same organization, as well as every other player in the league. By playing against a suspended player Baker automatically places himself on the ineligible list of organized baseball, and before he can play with the Athletics or any other club in organized baseball he will have to be reinstated by the national commission.

Pitching Has Not Improved.

Chick Fraser, the old time pitcher, does not believe that pitching has improved to any extent in the past decade. "I am certain that the twirlers haven't any more nerve than they used to have," said he; "in fact, I don't think they have as much. In the old days who ever heard of a slabbist passing up a batter, unless, in very rare cases, it was a man like Wagner? The twirler was anxious to get rid of the best opposition in the world, and he figured that the quickest way to do it was to make him hit, or strike him out. Nowadays, very mediocre hitters are often passed up by the pitchers."

Wagner's Feat Is Hard to Equal.

Hans Wagner's record of 100 home runs is one not likely to be equaled. There are some players who may exceed him in the number of hits, but it is doubtful if any other player will ever reach the century mark in circuit clouts.

Sheckard Playing Independent Ball.

Jimmy Sheckard is playing with an independent team in Pennsylvania. The former Cub tried to land a job as scout for a big league club, but was unsuccessful. He then tried to be appointed an umpire, but with no luck.

Oarsman Goes to War.

Ernest Barry, the world's champion sculler, has enlisted in the British army as a private in the First Surrey rifles.

POPULAR MECHANICS

Using a Soldering Iron.

Comparatively few people know how to use a soldering iron. The best way to heat an iron is in a charcoal fire or gas flame or in a wood stove. Never get it too hot or the copper will be burned, and it is then necessary to file it off smooth and tin it. In addition to the soldering iron you will need some stick solder, a good sized chunk of sal ammoniac—about 10 cents' worth—and a dime's worth of muriatic acid. Put the acid in an open mouthed bottle and drop into it a few scraps of sheet zinc. The acid will immediately begin to boil and consume the zinc. When it ceases to boil pour off the clear liquid and save it for your soldering acid. This is applied to the work you wish to solder with a small brush or stick. To tin the soldering iron heat the iron hot and press it against the sal ammoniac. If it sizzles and gives off pungent fumes let it burn its imprint in the crystal. Now press the iron against the solder and drop some into the scorched place in the crystal. Rub the iron back and forth on this and you will soon find the point beautifully tinned.

Advantages of Machine Drills.

The machine drill has reduced mining costs on the whole, but the saving is not so great as generally supposed and is largely indirect. On any particular job of shaft sinking or drifting or stoping it is often possible to get nearly as cheap results by hand work. Within only a few years large and important shafts have been sunk entirely by hand. Hand methods show up best in remote situations, in the softer rocks, and in cases where the permanency of the operation and the chance to recover the value of a compressor plant are questionable. The great advantages of machine work are the far greater speed possible, the resultant decrease in interest charges and the reduction in the number of men to be handled underground. These advantages are so great that the compressor is nowadays an almost universal item in the mine power plant. Even the small development property endeavors to install a plant of some kind capable of furnishing air for a drill or two.—Engineering Magazine.

Detachable Tread Tire.

A new type of automobile tire with detachable tread has been invented and is being placed on the market, says Popular Mechanics. This tire is made in two parts. One part consists of a hollow main tire of special design that

NEW TYPE OF AUTOMOBILE TIRE.

is inflatable and is fixed to the wheel, while the other part is a solid rubber tread that can be taken off or put on as wear or other conditions require. The tread has a longitudinal rib that fits into a groove in the main tire. It is easily put on when the main tire is deflated and is held securely in place by the rib when the tire is inflated.

Painting a Buggy.

If the old paint on the buggy is in fair condition smooth it down with sandpaper or steel wool, apply two or more coats of buggy paint, sandpapering lightly between each coat, and varnish with coach varnish. You will need a small round paint brush, a medium sized flat paint brush and a good varnish brush. The varnish brush should be used only for varnishing and must be kept absolutely clean. The surfaces to be varnished must be absolutely free from dust, and the room in which the varnishing is done should be dustless. A small grain of dust causes the varnish to rise up around it, forming a bubble or lump. The varnishing should be done in a warm, dry room. Never apply paint or varnish on damp woodwork.

If the old paint is checked and peeling off it should be removed. The surface should then be sandpapered smooth and given a coat of lead. Then proceed as above.

Removing Carbon.

Live steam for removing carbon from cylinders is obtained by simply squirting water into the air intake of the carburetor while the engine is running. If the engine chokes down you are using too much water. When the water reaches the hot cylinders it is converted into steam and helps remove the carbon. Most of the big gasoline engines on the railway motorcars are equipped with an atomizing device which sprays a fog of water into the intake manifold all the time. The engine is less inclined to heat up, and experts declare that the expansive force of the steam generated adds quite a little to the power of the engine.

Mending Broken Enamel.

Ordinary putty will not do to fill in cracks or broken spots on an enameled surface, such as a clock face. Fine sealing wax is much better, as it hardens at once, takes color without absorbing the oil and does not shrink like putty. Use a wax of the proper color to match the surface as closely as possible. Fit it in and smooth with a warm, flexible piece of metal, such as a palette knife. Give it one or two coats of thin color to exactly match the other surface and varnish. If the article has not a high polish the gloss of the varnish can be cut a little with pumice stone.—Popular Mechanics.

HINTS FOR THE BUSY HOUSEWIFE

Spring Wire Clothespin That Is Simple in Action.

The simplest of all the clothespins which have been invented is that which has recently been designed and patented by a resident of Texas, who finds it an effective means of securing the washed garments to the line. The spring wire loop has one end bent around the other by a half hook which will hold the two ends securely together by its own tension when one is lapped over the other, and which may be easily released when desired. After the clothes have been placed on the line the two ends are engaged by merely squeezing them together around the line and drawn down so that the clothes and line are held together between the two ends of the wire. The weight of the depending loop holds it in place and prevents the pin from becoming dislodged.

To Fireproof Clothes.

Dissolve one pound of ammonium phosphate in one gallon of cold water and a clear solution is formed in which the fabric to be fireproofed should be soaked for five minutes. The garment can then be taken out and allowed to dry, after which it may be worn with perfect safety, as it is absolutely fireproof. The solution produces no more harm to the material than would the same quantity of ordinary water. It will keep indefinitely, is nonpoisonous and can be used for several suits. Ammonium phosphate is a common white crystalline powder, not patented in any way, and sells for about 25 cents a pound at any drug store. Any article fireproofed by this method will remain noninflammable until washed or drenched with rain.—American Society For Fire Prevention.

Canned Strawberries.

To can strawberries so that they will keep their shape and color after the berries are picked over put them in a jar, with a layer of sugar and then of berries until all are used. Set them in the cellar overnight, and the sugar will penetrate them, and no water must be added (there will be sufficient juice). Have a sugar sirup on the stove hot, put the strawberries in and let them boil up gently; then fill cans with the fruit and juice all cooked together. Screw on the cover, stand the can upside down a few minutes, then turn again, changing it in this way until it is cool and the berries will not rise to the top. This way preserves the shape, color and flavor of the fruit.

Pickled Grapes.

Prepare the grapes as for preserving by removing the skins and seeds and boiling the pulp. To five pounds of fruit add a cupful of cider vinegar, a cupful of grape juice, three pounds of sugar and a spice bag containing two ounces of cinnamon, one ounce of cloves, a small piece of ginger root and one whole nutmeg. Place in a preserving kettle over a slow fire and cook until of the consistency of marmalade, stirring constantly to prevent burning. Turn while hot into jelly tumblers and cover when cold with paraffin.

Dainty Bread Boxes.

Cut bread into slices about an inch and a half or two inches thick and divide these slices into as many cubes as they will make. With a sharp knife cut out the crumbs in the center, leaving a box shaped cavity. Butter the bread boxes and set in the oven to crisp and brown lightly. Just before serving time fill with leftover fish flaked fine, a mince of chicken, deviled eggs, chopped ham or a mixture of veal and ham, pour a thick cream dressing over box and contents and serve hot.

Spiced Currants.

Six pounds currants, one level tablespoonful cinnamon, four pounds sugar, one level teaspoonful cloves, two pounds raisins, one level teaspoonful allspice and one cupful of vinegar. Pick over the currants, wash, drain and remove the stems. Put into a preserving kettle. Add the sugar, raisins and vinegar, and cook until it commences to thicken. Add the spices and cook to a thick sauce.

Sour Milk Biscuits.

One pint of sour or butter milk, one teaspoonful of soda, two teaspoonfuls of melted butter. Flour to make soft dough, just stiff enough to handle. Mix, roll, cut out rapidly with as little handling as may be and bake in a quick oven.

YOUNG FOLKS' CORNER

Homonyms.

Homonyms are words pronounced alike, but spelled differently. [illegible]

1. He — [illegible]
2. [illegible]
3. When he [illegible] the plane I dropped paper [illegible] mucilage in my [illegible]
4. If anything — you [illegible] to drink those strong [illegible]
5. Take a knife and — [illegible] the child.
6. I told the children the — [illegible] fox that lost his —.
7. Whenever the weather [illegible] boys walk home, thus saving [illegible] one way.
8. Pretty Miss Ball, the — of the town, was chosen to ring the — [illegible] the exercises.
9. As the doctor [illegible] he discovered a — in his [illegible]

Answers: 1. Sent, scent. [illegible] thyme. 3. Chord, cord. 4. [illegible] 5. Pare, pear. 6. Tale, tail. [illegible] fare. 8. Belle, bell. 9. [illegible]

Hints For Campers.

When boy scouts go to camp [illegible] should be sure to [illegible] so [illegible] for it through the whole [illegible]

In the enthusiasm of [illegible] the heat of the day the [illegible] people to pay little heed to [illegible] and bedding. It can get [illegible] at night in the middle of the [illegible] Plenty of blankets [illegible] probably will prove [illegible]

Don't forget a cake of [illegible] second thought take [illegible] scrub use of soap [illegible] any boy's hands, and [illegible] a lot to prevent [illegible] nettle rash.

Then there are the [illegible] salt and towels and a [illegible] tight matchbox, all items that [illegible] ly to be overlooked. It is a good [illegible] to inventory the tackle [illegible] starting off fishing too.

Hint to Boy Swimmers.

Just as you must not [illegible] about the neck, so when you [illegible] assistance of any one in the [illegible] must make certain that [illegible] seize you. Approach [illegible] if possible, so that [illegible] of this. Your task will [illegible] if the person you are [illegible] will help you. If [illegible] him to turn upon [illegible] able to push him [illegible] ficulty; if you must [illegible] be harder. Remember [illegible] events, you must keep [illegible] if he is struggling [illegible] If he does seize you [illegible] his grip at any cost [illegible] will be able to swim [illegible] arms about you.

Scout Camp In Oklahoma.

Arrangements are [illegible] for the establishment of a [illegible] Boy Scouts of America in the [illegible] of the Ozarks, in Oklahoma. [illegible] five acres of land have been [illegible] the purposes of the scouts [illegible] planned to put in equipment [illegible] modate about 400 boys. [illegible] call for an expenditure of [illegible] 000. The camp will be open [illegible] riod of two weeks to boy scouts [illegible] outside of the state. It is planned [illegible] fill the camp with boys from [illegible] gee, Tulsa and Oklahoma City [illegible] Oklahoma scout field has [illegible] some of the most aggressive and [illegible] able leaders of the movement.

Fun With Apples.

Do you live near any apple trees? [illegible] you do you can print your [illegible] initials on the growing apples. [illegible] the fruit yet hangs green on the [illegible] select the biggest apple for the [illegible] Cut out from thin tough paper [illegible] initials, with round dots for [illegible] Next paste these letters and [illegible] that side of the apple which is [illegible] turned to the sun, taking care not to loosen the fruit's hold upon its stem. As soon as the apple is ripe take off the paper cuttings, which, having shut out the reddening rays of the sun, have kept the fruit green just beneath them, so that the name or initials now [illegible] plainly.

Boy Scouts in the Pacific.

Scout Commissioner James Wilder of Honolulu, who recently visited Philadelphia and other cities to study the boy scout movement, does not confine his work entirely to the city of Honolulu, but is active in other parts of the Hawaiian islands as well. He is also in close touch with the scout movement in New Caledonia, Tahiti, Fiji Islands, New Zealand, Australia and, in fact, all of Polynesia. In virtually every one of these countries the movement is in a flourishing condition, in many instances having been established several years.

A Rainbow Story.

The Indians have a lovely thought about the rainbow. They love flowers even as we do. The roses, lilies, pansies and goldenrod they hate to leave. When they see a rainbow they fancy that in the lovely colors [illegible] ing the sky all the wild flowers, lilies, violets, etc., and the moss of the woods are still living and blossoming anew in the heavens.

Decapitations.

Wild flowers along the bank are —
As in our boat we're swiftly —
Our speed to wind and tide is —
We fly like birds upon the —.

Answer.—Growing, rowing, owing, [illegible]