

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Tris Speaker, Outfielder of Boston-Red Sox.



Photo by American Press Association

Tris Speaker, who plays centerfield for the Boston Americans, is considered one of the greatest outfielders on the diamond today.

When Players Slow Down.

Talk with any wise old baseball manager or player and he will tell you that the slower a player becomes the more the player knows about inside baseball.

While he has all his speed the player breezes through carelessly. His physical fitness carries him through with lots to spare.

If all this is true just stop to imagine what Matty, the "Iron Man" and Nap might have done when at the top of their physical speed if they only had the will and knowledge of inside tactics.

Following Mack's Lead.

Last winter when Connie Mack started to break up his \$1,000,000 base ball machine other managers were inclined to laugh at him.

However, as time passes other pilots are beginning to realize that it is not always an easy matter to go along with a team of champions.

Explodes Oster Theory.

A remarkable case of athletic longevity occurred recently in Dublin, Ireland where a man at the age of 65 performed better than he did at the age of twenty five.

Mamaux Signs Long Contract.

Pitcher Albert Mamaux of the Pirates recently affixed his signature to a document which binds him to the Pittsburgh National League club for 1916, 1917 and 1918.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

The only woman physician in Turkey is Dr. Mary Eddy, whose fitness was passed upon by a dozen physicians.

Lady Mackworth of Wales is one of many women in the warring countries of Europe who has stepped into the business shoes of the absent man of the family.

Miss Rose Pitonoff of Rochester, Mass., was the first swimmer of either sex to cover the twelve miles between Harlestown bridge and Boston light.

Flippant Flings.

A mackerel caught off the California coast had a bell on its tail. That's a queer place to wear a ring Denver News.

More married men than bachelors are reported at the front. This is a case of veterans or the lesser of two evils, Washington Post.

Down with the wash rag, says the United States public health service. The sponge was too long ago.

One of the economic questions of the near future will almost surely be whether it's cheaper to support a two-year-old twin six or two six-year-old twins. Milwaukee Journal.

PITH AND POINT.

When an opportunity occurs for kind words deliver the goods.

Some men work hard and overtime in vain search for a sinecure.

Don't owe your neighbor a grudge; better cancel the debt at once.

Second thoughts are best, especially when they are less expensive.

Those who are most fond of display usually have the least to show.

The best kind of a memory is one that keeps past favors in mind.

If a man is backed by money it isn't difficult for him to put on a bold front.

Poverty is very good in maxims and in sermons, but it is very bad in practical life.

Doctors advise that we foe in bed, but the Indian did. And pray what did he get the Indian?

When it comes to going bankrupt Europe apparently has no intentions of doing the job halfway.

If we could see ourselves as others see us we would think there was something the matter with the looking glass.

Constantinople is suffering from a coal shortage. Some others also there but they haven't laid in their winter supply.

A physician says that after forty a man should not play tennis. The inference is that after that he courts disaster.

Recent Inventions.

A metal clamp to hold two pieces of wood together at right angles has been patented.

When the soil has permitted wells have been bored to a depth of 24,000 feet with a new hand-operated post-hole digger.

A simple boiler invented by an Englishman is a tent shaped wire frame in which pipes of metal are hung over a stove opening.

A coal shovel has been patented with a reservoir in the handle from which oil can flow upon wet as it is handy to make it ignite more quickly.

Submarines.

Modern submarines usually carry six or eight torpedoes.

On the surface submarines drive their motive power from oil or petrol submerged they are driven by electricity.

The sting of a submarine lies in the head or tail, because there is her torpedo tubes. She cannot sink an enemy ship while broadside on to it.

Submarines are blind when submerged, and the chief problem in connection with them is discovering a means of seeing at a distance through the water.

Political Quips.

The disposition of any ambitious candidate is never improved by a season in political cold storage Baltimore American.

The man who was in the hands of his friends before nomination often has his friends on his hands after election. Toledo Blade.

If we Americans would talk less politics and pay more attention to the business side of running our cities and states there would be an improvement Chicago News.

NOTABLES IN THE LIMELIGHT

General Carlo Porro, Italian Subchief of Staff.



Photo by American Press Association

According to recent disclosures, the entrance of Italy into the military coalition with England, France and Russia against Turkey was arranged by General Carlo Porro, subchief of staff of the Italian army.

Count Carlo Porro is the son of a former member of the Italian senate. He chose a military career and has risen to the rank of major general in the Italian army and is now second in command of King Victor's forces.

General Porro is a man of strong character and by many of his countrymen is regarded as the leading soldier of the kingdom. In 1905, Premier Forth proposed General Porro for the post of undersecretary of war, although he was not a member of the house of deputies, a requirement. He was offered election to the chamber, but refused, and then for the first time in the history of Italy, he was placed in the cabinet without having been elected a member of parliament.

Early in his military career General Porro reached the conviction that the Italian army was far behind other European military establishments in efficiency. Last year when Salandra became premier in succession to Giolitti he was strongly recommended to appoint General Porro to the post of minister of war. During the negotiations concerning the offer Porro submitted his views and declared himself willing to accept the post under conditions that Salandra would include without change Porro's reform program. This was refused.

General Porro was then given command of the Sixth army corps and in April of this year was appointed subchief of the general staff of the army.

Head of New Labor College. Eugene Victor Debs, national leader of the Socialist party, who recently announced the establishment of a national labor college known as the People's college at Fort Scott, Kan., has been elected president of the college. In his announcement President Debs says in part:

"The devotion and loyalty of the members of the People's College union will make this college a great working class school and a tremendous factor in the struggle for labor's emancipation. The People's college union is the one organized effort of the working class to control education. Through the correspondence department we are

reaching thousands of the working class with education. This is real service in the social revolution."

Mr. Debs is a native of Terre Haute, Ind., and is sixty years old. He began his business career as a locomotive fireman in 1871 and later served as city clerk of Terre Haute and also as a member of the Indiana legislature. For a number of years he was grand secretary and treasurer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and from 1893 to 1897 was president of the American Railway union. In connection with a strike on western railroads in 1894 he was charged with conspiracy, but acquitted then he was charged with violation of an injunction and sent to jail for six months. He has three times been candidate of the Socialist party for president of the United States.



EUGENE V. DEBS.

SIRES AND SONS.

Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary owns Eagle Island, off the coast of Maine. It serves as his summer home.

Andrew Peck, seventy-nine, of Brooklyn, at sixteen years began business life on 10 cents. Now he has \$1,000,000.

William A. Hurst, age seventy-six, of Philadelphia, is said to be the only man now living who was on the Monitor when she fought the Merrimack.

West Virginia has the biggest office. Governor Hatfield stands six feet four and Chairman Lakin of the board of control is six feet two and three quarters.

Richard Pearson Strong, having quelled the epidemic of typhus fever in Syria by the saving countless thousands of lives, now returns to this country to resume his place as professor of tropical medicine at the Harvard Medical school.

Rear Admiral Charles Johnston Badger, who retired recently, having reached the age limit, because of his special qualifications will continue on duty in definitely in connection with the army and navy joint board and the navy general board, which are working out national defense problems.

Fashion Frills.

The man who invented short skirts isn't saying much, but he is probably looking off Philadelphia Press.

A fashion note announces that the mustache is coming back. We know one that isn't. Detroit Free Press.

Fascinating simplicity is to be the keynote in military this fall, so we are told. Fascinating, of course, but simple? Well, we have to be shown.

Some of the ladies' costumes recently seen on the street seem to consist of unbridged Mother Hubbard gown and a modified pair of bedroom slippers. Louisville Courier-Journal.

If these newfangled ankle watches become as popular as jewelers would have us believe and the skirts get no longer there will soon be no need of street corner clocks. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Short Stories.

Turkish parents beat their children on the soles of the feet.

In some portions of Switzerland granite is so plentiful that it is used for telegraph poles.

At the last count the United States national bank notes in circulation amounted to \$718,065,637.

A New York lawyer reported that his wife had been robbed and when asked what the loot was said his nightgown and a comb and a brush.

Marihuana, a narcotic derived from a Mexican hemp, is stronger than opium and corresponds to the hashish of the far east. A horticulturist recently found the plants in large numbers growing in a San Antonio (Tex.) cattle corral.

British Briefs.

More than one-half of the gold mined every year is produced within the bounds of the British empire.

Eighty years ago, in England, a boy of nine was sentenced to be hanged for stealing two pennyworth of paint.

Owing to the moist climate of the towns on the west coast of Britain, cotton works are built there instead of the east, as a moist climate is desirable.

The largest single dock included by artificial walls in Great Britain is at Newport, Monmouthshire. Its total water area is 110 acres, and its dimensions 4,000 feet long by about 1,000 feet wide.

BRIGHT BRIEFS.

The harder a nail drives the better it holds.

Lots of smiles are wasted during telephone conversations.

Even a stingy man will allow another to share his opinion.

A lot of people have the habit of lying with their mouths closed.

Optimism is all right provided it does not cause a man to let go of his wad.

There is no charity equal to that of showing people how to help themselves.

Man wants but little here below, but woman wants everything that other women have.

There is no such thing as the biggest half, in spite of the fact that most people want it.

Belligerent nations are building more war vessels than are being destroyed, so what is the use?

A Philadelphia dentist says that the auto loosens teeth. A pedestrian is lucky if that's all it does to him.

One advantage of being poor is that one can get married without attracting the attention of that invertebrate gossip, the world.

Somebody laments the fact that all the theater stars are going to the movies. But that isn't so bad as having the audiences go too.

The smart folk who affect the new-fad the ankle watch doubtless are impelled by some notion of the propriety of taking Time by the neck.

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