



NEW MACHINE TO DEVELOP BATTERS.

St. Louis Man Has Invention That Will Work Wonders.

HE WILL BE GIVEN A CHANCE.

Ted Kennedy Claims he Can Improve A Team's Batting at Least Twenty-Five Per Cent.

Will wonders never cease? Here is the very latest. We are to have machine-made baseball players.

Instead of the heretofore hand-made artist, a machine will be used to develop his batting eye, and after he has served under the machine-teacher for a certain period, he will graduate with the title of B.B.—bachelor of baseball—tacked onto his cognomen. The Salt Lake director should send for this machine instantly. It may accomplish wonders for the local bunch of ball tossers. The St. Louis Browns are going to give the machine a chance. At least such is the announcement of Secy. Hedges of that club. The inventor is Ted Kennedy, an ex-ball player of considerable reputation. For some time he has been conducting a baseball school in South St. Louis with some success. Recently he approached Mr. Hedges and unfolded to him his marvelous plan. The latter listened patiently to the scheme and was finally converted to the idea and will give the contrivance a trial this spring. Here is what Hedges is quoted as saying about the new idea: "If Kennedy can do anything to make my men bat, then he can have almost anything the Browns own."

"With three or four .300 hitters on the team, the Browns are good enough to win in any company. Kennedy has a theory that seems sound. "Of course, I have made no contract with him, but I will let him try it out on the men. If it is successful, all right; Kennedy can get customers in the Browns."

Kennedy explains his theories as follows: "Give me a team of good material and I will improve it 25 per cent in individual and team effectiveness."

"That is a low estimate. I do not claim to make material, but what I do try to do is to bring out all there is in the material before me."

"Take the Browns, who Mr. Hedges says will get first crack at my machine. There is material to work on. Heldrich, Hemphill, Hill and others are all strong and fast. They are natural ball players, but the best in them has not been brought out. They have learned baseball as some boys learn to play the piano—by 'picking it out.' Their individual curves or shots, as it goes, but polished up, it can be improved materially."

"For batting training I have a machine. It is a pitching machine, something badly needed for practice work. It will throw a ball at varying speeds, with any one of the fundamental curves or shots, and will deliver it accurately."

"This machine will furnish a tireless pitcher for the practice of batting. This has been a long felt want, and if it had no other virtue, the machine would be valuable on that account."

"But, better still, this machine can throw a ball at a higher rate of speed than it is possible for a pitcher to deliver it. What is the consequence? When the ball player who has been working for a month against the high velocity from the machine, then faces a pitcher, he finds the ball delivered by human agency much slower and easier to hit. His eye is faster and his swing of the bat sharper and more vicious."

"It is as though the batter of today were to go against a minor leaguer of low grade."

"Not only that, but what would you say if I could teach a batter to tell the moment the pitcher swings his arm what kind of a ball is coming to the plate? I can do it, and can teach others to do it. If I was young again, and had the physical endurance, I could show in actual game just what scientific training will do for a player. I used to be a good pitcher, once. You don't have to take my word for it; you find the records. I say that there are many things about baseball that ball players don't know that it is really a wonder the scientific phase of the game has not been taken up before."

"Take the pitcher. Any lad with the physique can become a pitcher of rare

RACES AT INGLESIDE.

Long Priced Horses Were Successful in Several Events.

San Francisco, Feb. 8.—Fine weather prevailed at Ingleside today, but the track was very muddy. Long priced horses were successful in several races. Results:

First race, six furlongs, selling—Dandee Belle won, Jean Gravier second, Tho. Toller third. Time—1:37.4. Second race, three and a half furlongs, selling—Marie J. won, Will A. second, Suckwater third. Time—0:44.4. Third race, five and a half furlongs, selling—Hand Press won, Egan's Prince second, Camletta third. Time—1:11. Fourth race, one mile and fifty yards, selling—Boutonne won, First Chip second, Norford third. Time—1:47. Fifth race, seven furlongs, selling—Standard won, Halford second, Ruvia third. Time—1:31.3. Sixth race, six furlongs, selling—Sir Tom Tiddler won, Albemarle second, Matt Hogan third. Time—1:19.4.

ASCOT PARK EVENTS.

Sensation Created by Mrs. C. F. Sanders' 2-Year-Old Filly.

Los Angeles, Feb. 8.—The sensation of today at Ascot was the victory of Mrs. C. F. Sanders' 2-year-old filly, Belle Kinney, in the second race for 3-year-olds over three furlongs. Opening at 20 to 1, the price was hammered down by those on the inside at all the twelve books and at post time 1 to 1 was the best obtainable. The filly was slow to break, but once started she ran over the field of twelve and won by five lengths, coasted up. The time was 0:34, which is a quarter of a second better than the track record for the distance. Weather fine, no wind, good going.

First race, six furlongs, selling—Sally Goodwin won, Military second, Nanton third. Time—1:12. Second race, three furlongs, purse—Belle Kinney won, Viola second, Jerome third. Time—0:34.4. Third race, mile and a quarter, hurdle, handicap, purse—Galva won, Goldene second, Cambercote third. Time—2:20. Fourth race, six furlongs, handicap—Queen Dream won, Wacht Nicht second, Glennevis third. Time—1:14. Fifth race, one mile, selling—Platinum won, Greenock second, Loyol S. third. Time—1:43.4. Sixth race, six furlongs, selling—Lecoon won, Coliel Bogy second, Ellie third. Time—1:22.

HERE IS SOMETHING NEW.

Charley Ross Described as a Giant Weighing Over 200 Pounds.

About the most absurd story published in an Oregon paper, came out recently in the Baker City Herald. It was in relation to the recent wrestling match between Lewis and Charley Ross. There is hardly a word of truth in the entire story. Here it is:

"Lewis was outweighted," said a local athlete today. "No man of Lewis' weight in this country can throw him. Ross, who got the best two out of three, weighed twenty-five to thirty pounds more than Lewis. Ross weighs close to 200 pounds and Lewis was trained down to 175."

"Lewis is much more the scientific man, but Ross is not only a giant in weight but a giant in strength and endurance. You may rest assured that when the full particulars are learned it will be shown that Ross simply overpowered the Baker City athlete. Lewis threw him beautifully in the first round, but the contest with the heavy man exhausted Lewis' strength and he had to finally give in the second. But Lewis' second wind came in the third round and he kept the big man busy for fourteen minutes."

While Lewis is hurt in reputation to some extent he is not injured financially. They had a \$200 house and Lewis got one-fourth of this. Five hundred dollars was not had pay for less than an hour's work."

FIGHT ON GRANEY.

Claimed There is a Clue Trying to Force Referee Out of Business.

The following comes from San Francisco: Kid Broad and Eddie Hanlon wanted Graneley to referee their bout. Match-maker Graneley said it cost him not to. To obviate trouble Graneley was appointed referee, and later he admitted that he had barred Graneley at Braunhart's direction.

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