

Pull for Fair Weather for the Shamrock's Long Westward Voyage

REMARKABLE RACES FOR PENNANT HONORS

THE CONTESTS THIS YEAR ARE CLOSER THAN USUAL IN ALL OF THE LEAGUES.

WONDERFUL TIGHTENING

This is True of the Minors as Well as the Big Leagues and Some of the Contests Are More Exciting Every Day.

New York, July 18.—With the close of the professional baseball season less than two months away the pennant race in both major and minor leagues are tightening up in a remarkable manner when the scores of associations are considered as a whole. With a few exceptions here and there the struggle for first places are far closer than has been the rule for several years.

The race in the class A organizations is also close. The Southern association pennant struggle is one of the most interesting in years, less than 100 points separating the first six clubs. In the Western league, Denver, St. Joseph, Lincoln and Sioux City are all bunched and as the season does not close until September 27, any one of these clubs may prove the flag winner.

The class C races are also proving of much interest to the baseball fans of the respective league territories. Charleston leads the South Atlantic race with Albany having a fair chance if the leaders slow up for any reason. The Virginia contest is far closer for Norfolk, Newport News and Richmond are closely grouped. Further north in the Wisconsin-Illinois league, five clubs are in the flag race, there being hardly a hundred points between the first and fifth teams.

FRENCH BALLOONIST HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Paris, July 18.—The balloon, Totu, a contestant in the Grand Prix race, crashed into the trees of the Bois de Vincennes, injuring the pilot, Georges Blanchet, and his wife, Duval, and causing a panic among thousands of spectators.

Several persons were slightly injured in the crash, many women fainting and others were overcome by escaping gas. At a height of 150 feet the envelope surrounding the envelope began to give way. Blanchet and his wife were bowing their heads and paid no attention to the shouts of warning. The ropes broke and the basket fell with the two men clinging to it. It dropped into a cluster of trees and struck an iron picket fence. Blanchet's injuries were of a slight nature, but Duval was injured internally. Blanchet was the winner of Grand Prix on three previous occasions.

AMERICAN ASS'N.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Milwaukee	50	49	.506
Cleveland	51	41	.554
Louisville	52	42	.553
Kansas City	48	45	.513
Indianapolis	46	47	.495
Minneapolis	44	46	.489
Columbus	44	47	.484
St. Paul	37	51	.421

Cleveland, 9-2; Milwaukee, 2-1. Indianapolis, 8-1; Kansas City, 6-9. Columbus, 7-5; St. Paul, 8-7. Louisville, 4-2; Minneapolis, 3-1.

FAST TENNIS.

Seabright, N. J., July 19.—It required the full limit of five sets for R. Norris Williams II, as the challenger, to beat T. R. Pell, holder of the Achilles cup today in the final of the test tournament for the Davis cup team on the turf courts of the Seabright Lawn Tennis and Cricket club. The score was 6-4, 4-6, 4-5, 6-2.

MORE WORRY FOR POOR OLD UNCLE SAM; FEARS HELL LOSE DAVIS TENNIS TROPHY



The approach of the Davis cup tournament finds Uncle Sam in a rather nervous mood. There is every reason to believe that the successful defense of the trophy will be far from a simple matter and American tennis devotees are expressing unfettered alarm. We have lost several cups of late. It is unpleasant to think that we are about to lose another.

A perusal of the dope shows pretty well that the Australian team team will be America's steepest adversary. Brookes, the undoubted favorite, has shown a remarkable return to his old-time speed and with Wilding it is believed he will defeat with apparent ease all he may meet. Tennis experts agree that Brookes in his proper form cannot be approached.

England has already disposed of France and it is commonly thought that Australia will be able to deal with Canada in much the same fashion. Australia is also the favorite over the British champs. This will make the Australians the challengers and the best of the American talent will have to exert themselves to win. The Australians also have an advantage in being quite used to the most unpleasant of warm and moist weather.

Brookes has twice defeated McLoughlin, but it must be remembered that McLoughlin was but an inexperienced school boy at the time of these matches, while Brookes was at the height of his tennis career. McLoughlin has developed wonderfully since and his chances are of course much brighter.

A great deal will depend on the success of the American doubles team. It is reasonably certain that we will be able to land two of the singles matches. Three of the five matches are necessary to the retaining of the cup. If the American team is victor in the doubles the cup will be ours for yet another season.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Portland	53	44	.546
Los Angeles	59	49	.541
Venice	57	50	.532
San Francisco	56	54	.509
Sacramento	50	56	.472
Oakland	42	64	.396

Los Angeles, July 19.—Venice won the first no-hitter no-run game of the season in the Coast league today, shutting out San Francisco, 2 to 0, in the afternoon contest. The Tigers made a big day of it, generally, taking the morning game, 11 to 5, and breaking even on the series.

Morning game—R. H. E. San Francisco..... 5 8 2 Venice..... 11 11 0 Batteries—Standridge, Barham, Howard and Clark; Sepulveda; Fleaharty, Deanniere and Elliott, Hogan.

Afternoon game—R. H. E. San Francisco..... 2 0 0 Venice..... 2 19 2 Batteries—Barn and Schmidt; Hitt and Hogan.

Close Call. Portland, July 19.—Los Angeles won the final game of the series, 6 to 3, in its innings today and thus prevented Portland from making a clean sweep of the series.

Score—R. H. E. Los Angeles..... 6 9 2 Portland..... 3 8 1 Batteries—Ryan, Musser and Meek; Bosis; Higginbotham, Evans, Richter and Fisher.

One Good—One Poor. San Francisco, July 19.—Sacramento had the better of the double-header with Oakland today. Geyer and Arlauer looked up in a pretty pitchers' battle in the morning. Every brand of ball was served at the matinee, with features lacking.

Morning game—R. H. E. Sacramento..... 1 8 5 Oakland..... 1 9 3 Batteries—Arlauer and Roberts; Geyer and Alexander. (Thirteen innings called three times).

Afternoon game—R. H. E. Sacramento..... 8 14 2 Oakland..... 7 14 2 Batteries—Kremer, Maloney, Gregory and Bohrer; Hannah, Klavitter, Able, Kilbury and Mitze.

WESTERN LEAGUE

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Denver	52	36	.591
Sioux City	52	37	.584
St. Joseph	51	38	.573
Lincoln	47	42	.528
Des Moines	46	45	.505
Omaha	42	46	.477
Wichita	36	55	.396
Topeka	32	59	.352

Sioux City, 2; Wichita, 3. Omaha, 6-8; Topeka, 5-3. Lincoln, 3-9; St. Joseph, 2-4. Denver, 7-7; Des Moines, 2-1.

JENNINGS TALKS.

Boston, July 19.—Hughes Jennings, manager of the Detroit baseball club, addressed the inmates of the state prison today. "What is necessary to make a topnotch ball player?" was his topic. He was warmly greeted. With Jennings were Dubuc, Bush and Crawford.

TO FIGHT CARPENTIER.

Sydney, N. S. W., July 18.—Edith McGroarty, the American pugilist, has accepted an offer called him from London to fight Georges Carpentier in London in October for a purse of \$10,000.

CUBS CREEP CLOSE TO THE TOP OF LIST

GAP IS SMALL WHICH SEPARATES THEM FROM COLONEL M'GRAW.

THREE SUNDAY GAMES

St. Louis Wins Its Battle by Sneaking Up From Behind in the Ninth and Boston Does the Same to the Reds.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
New York	46	32	.590
Chicago	46	37	.554
St. Louis	45	40	.526
Cincinnati	39	43	.475
Philadelphia	37	41	.474
Brooklyn	35	41	.461
Boston	36	43	.456
Pittsburgh	35	42	.455

Closer Up.

Chicago, July 19.—Chicago hit Rucker hard in the fourth inning, driving him off the mound, and defeated Brooklyn, 7 to 3. As a result of the victory the Cubs cut down the margin between themselves and New York 3 1/2 games. After three runs had scored in the fourth inning with only one out, and two men on bases, Ruelbach replaced Rucker and was found for a double, which scored two more runs. Pierce was unsteady and was replaced by Zabel, who worked in fine form.

Score—R. H. E. Brooklyn..... 3 8 1 Chicago..... 7 10 2 Batteries—Rucker, Ruelbach, Schmitz and Miller; Pierce, Zabel and Hrosman.

In a Rush. St. Louis, July 19.—St. Louis came from behind in the ninth this afternoon and scored three runs, winning the final game of the series with Philadelphia, 5 to 4.

Score—R. H. E. Philadelphia..... 4 4 3 St. Louis..... 5 8 1 Batteries—Mattison, Rixey, Mayer and Kilifer; Perlit and Snyder.

Boston Arrives. Cincinnati, July 19.—Boston came from behind in their half of the ninth inning today and added somewhat by Cincinnati's errors, scored three runs, just enough to win from the locals by a score of 3 to 2. Cincinnati bunched hits on Crutcher in the seventh, but was unable to do anything with Strand or James. Miller, batting for Usher in the seventh, drove out a two-base hit that brought home both of Cincinnati's runs.

Score—R. H. E. Boston..... 3 6 3 Cincinnati..... 2 5 6 Batteries—Crutcher, Strand, James and Gowdy; Whaling, Yingling and Erwin.

Weird. Salt Lake, July 19.—(Special).—With the score 8 to 2 in the fifth, Salt Lake made eight runs in a game which finally went to the Sea Gulls, 14 to 13. Murray made four in the eighth and one in the ninth. The score was 13 to 12 for Murray in the last half of the ninth. Davis' homer tied the count and a walk and a wild pitch gave a single gave the game to Salt Lake. Score—R. H. E. Murray..... 13 14 2 Salt Lake..... 14 13 7 Batteries—Dawson, Snader and Auer; Morgan, Allen and McClain.

Butte. Boise, July 19.—The series ended in favor of Butte, after a week of as good baseball as was ever seen here. The Ducks walked away with the game, 7 to 4. Score—R. H. E. Butte..... 7 11 2 Boise..... 4 10 3 Batteries—Halla and Lewis; Toner and Weaver.

Chifeds Hit Casey Hard. J. Tinker Adds a Little More Cinch to His Foothold on the Column's North End.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	48	33	.593
Indianapolis	45	24	.650
Brooklyn	42	35	.545
Baltimore	44	27	.618
Buffalo	39	39	.500
Kansas City	37	47	.440
St. Louis	35	48	.422
Pittsburgh	31	47	.397

Chicago, July 19.—Chicago bunched hits in the fifth, scored five runs and won an 8-to-7 victory.

Score—R. H. E. Chicago..... 8 13 6 Kansas City..... 7 11 1 Batteries—Prendergast, Brennan, Hendrix and Wilson; Harris, Adams and Easterly.

One Bingle. St. Louis, July 19.—Kaiserling held St. Louis to one hit, a single by Komers in the fourth inning, this afternoon, while his teammates pounded Groom hard in the same inning and felled three runs. Indianapolis won the game, 3 to 0.

Score—R. H. E. Indianapolis..... 3 5 0 St. Louis..... 0 1 2 Batteries—Kaiserling and Rariden; Groom and Chapman.

Suffrage Aid. Fargo, N. D., July 19.—North Dakota's campaign for equal suffrage has aroused such nation-wide interest that unsolicited contributions toward the cause are being received by the state association from all parts of the country.

To Build University. Atlanta, Ga., July 19.—A university which, it is said, will represent an outlay of \$5,000,000 will be built in Atlanta by the Methodist Episcopal church, South. Asa G. Candler of this city has given \$1,000,000 to the new university.

W. P. BURTON, BEST AMATEUR IN BRITAIN, TO RACE SHAMROCK FOR YACHTING CUP



SHAMROCK IV AND W. P. BURTON

New York, July 19.—In choosing W. P. Burton, a gentleman sailor, to sail his fourth challenger for the America's cup Sir Thomas Lipton fell into step with the trend of the times in yachting. Until a few years ago there was a fixed idea among yachtsmen on both sides of the Atlantic that professional sailors had something in skill and experience to their advantage in competition with the amateur, or Corinthian.

That view has given place in England to the opinion that the professional must be an exceptional man to equal the skill and judgment of a Corinthian like W. P. Burton. He stands at the front of the yachting sailors of his time with a long series of victories over the best professional as evidence of his superiority in handling a boat.

On logical grounds there is every reason why a man of Mr. Burton's stamp should win a commanding position in yachting. He has devoted himself to yachting for 25 years, bringing to it the full vigor of a well trained mind and a healthy body. He has not made the sport merely play, but has followed it with the same serious concentration that he gives to his business.

The day of the casual yachtsman who leaves details to his skipper and comes aboard his boat only on race days or for an occasional short cruise has passed in England, and no one has done more to make it a thing of other times than Mr. Burton. Hard work, close attention to details, determination to get the best out of his boat and an absolutely clear understanding of racing problems and racing rules have given Mr. Burton his present leadership among British racing men. He believes that nothing short of his best efforts would have brought him success.

Burton in Supreme Control. In earlier America cup races there have come over with the challengers, from time to time, Corinthian sailors who have been vested, in popular fancy, with great powers in managing a boat. Usually they have felled, or the two have felled together, possibly because of divided authority.

No such arrangement prevails this year on the challenger. Mr. Burton is manager and captain, too. His judgment as to the handling of the boat will prevail, and no other hand than his will touch her wheel in a race. The yacht's professional skipper will take orders from Mr. Burton and will devote himself to transmitting them to the crew and to directing the handling of sails.

This arrangement should mean perfect handling of the challenger. Mr. Burton has the reputation of making no mistakes in starts. If a tight place is reached requiring instant decision his decision is not only prompt but final. According to men who have known him in racing for many years, he never gets "rattled" and always chooses the right course of action.

Copied with his valuable attribute to the racing skipper Mr. Burton has a sureness of touch in putting his boat where he wants her. His eye is sure and his nerve unshakable. If he is in his usual health at the time of the international match he should give an exhibition of flawless sailing quite as brilliant as any ever given by the professionals who have sailed challengers.

He and Adams Much Alike. Should he have for his opponent Charles Francis Adams 2d on the Resolute, the sport should be rare indeed, for, from a racing standpoint and in personal traits, the two men are much alike.

The dominating trait in the character of each is directness. Each runs straight to the line, speaks his mind when called upon to give an opinion, and having once spoken abides by what he has said.

No amateur has sailed a challenger in a cup match since 1886, when J. Beaver Webb held the title on the Galatea—and the status of Mr. Webb was not parallel to that of Mr. Burton, as he was the yacht's designer and therefore in a way a professional. At no time in the history of the cup has an amateur sailed each of the yachts in an international match. If Messrs. Burton and Adams come together, therefore, the sport will enter on a new phase, broader in sporting spirit and with a stronger element of personal interest than has ever before obtained in a cup contest.

Bad Weather. Plymouth, July 19.—Shamrock IV, Sir Thomas Lipton's challenger for the America's cup, which sailed from Portsmouth under convoy of the steam yacht Erin yesterday, was forced to put into Plymouth last evening because of stress of weather. The Shamrock was on her way to Plymouth, from which port she will start for the United States. The challenger, however, will remain until the weather improves.

TWENTY-INNING GO GIVES SPOKANE VICTORY

INDIANS TAKE SEATTLE SERIES AND RETURN TO SECOND POSITION.

LONGEST IN NORTHWEST

The Engagement Establishes a Record for the Sound and Furnishes a Fine Exhibition of Baseball.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Vancouver	62	36	.631
Spokane	53	36	.617
Seattle	61	38	.616
Victoria	38	50	.434
Portland	36	60	.375
Tacoma	37	63	.370

Long Game.

Seattle, July 19.—Spokane took the series and climbed back into second place today by defeating Seattle, 6 to 1, in a thrilling 20-inning game, the longest ever played in Seattle. Seattle scored one in the second inning and Spokane one in the seventh. After that no runner crossed the plate until the 20th, when the Seattle team walked and Kelly's error, a base on balls and five hits, two of them two-baggers, drove in five runs. Seattle got a man as far as second in the last half of the 20th, but Noyes tightened and the game ended with the score 6 to 1 in Spokane's favor.

Score—R. H. E. Spokane..... 6 13 4 Seattle..... 1 9 4 Batteries—Noyes and Shea; Kelly and Cadman. (Twenty Innings).

No Game. Vancouver-Victoria; no game scheduled.

Sad Exit.

Tacoma, July 19.—The final appearance of Nick Williams and his team of Colts as representatives of Portland was marked this afternoon with their double defeat at the hands of the Tacoma Tigers. Jess Baker slant the Colts out, 3 to 0, in the first game, while Andra defeated Leonard in the second, 4 to 3.

First game—R. H. E. Tacoma..... 3 9 1 Portland..... 0 5 0 Batteries—Baker and Stephens; Eastley and Murray.

Second game—R. H. E. Tacoma..... 4 6 5 Portland..... 3 6 1 Batteries—Andra and Brotten; Leonard and Murray.

GREEN APPLE SHOW IS LATEST THING PROPOSED

Every district in the northwest will make a novel display of green apples of all commercial varieties at the 25th annual convention and the fifth annual apple show of the International Shippers' association in Boston, Mass., August 5, 6 and 7. H. P. Davidson, president; J. H. Robbins, general manager and Wilmer Sieg, sales manager, Oregon division, of the North Pacific Fruit distributors, will attend the convention, taking charge of the exhibits of the sub-centrals of the central selling agency.

The northwestern apples will compete in class 4, group 4, which includes Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Washington, Oregon, California, British Columbia and Western Canada. Two boxes of leading varieties from each district will be shown in this class. Some also will be entered in a plate contest. An effort, furthermore, will be made to secure the sweepstakes prize against all sections of this country and Canada.

The exhibit is for the benefit of the buyers primarily, to give them an idea of the apple crop of the various districts on August 1. The apples, of course, are not mature at this time, and in some districts they are farther along than in others, which is taken into consideration by the judges. Each district has been asked to send two boxes to Boston, of the variety or varieties which predominate in it. For instance, Montana will doubtless send McIntosh Reds and Wealthys; Hood River, Yellow Newtown, Spitzenbergs and Ortleys; Yakima, Wenatchee, Walla Walla and Idaho, Winter Bananas, Delicious, Newtons, Spitzenbergs, Rome Beauties, Jonathans, Winesaps and Arkansas Blacks; Spokane, Wagners chiefly, and the district has also been requested to send samples of their soft fruits, particularly peaches and pines.

Expert fruit men can tell from looking at August 1 fruit just what the mature fruit is going to be and that is the object of the displays. Hood Rivers and Idaho-Oregon carried off prizes last year. The first prize in the Northwestern class is a silver medal and blue ribbon; second, bronze medal and red ribbon; and third, bronze medal and white ribbon. The sweepstakes prize is the president's silver cup.

HANSON-BENZ.

Butte, Mont., July 19.—(Special).—Articles have been signed for a 20-round contest between Vic Hanson of Los Angeles and Leo Benz, champion middleweight of the northwest, in this city July 29, under the auspices of the Olympic Athletic club. The men will meet at 108 pounds at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the contest. In the opening bout on the card, Harry Atwood, the Los Angeles featherweight, will meet Kid Wallace, the Milwaukee youngster, who has been consistently winning since coming to the west.

A MEAN MAN

The usual large crowd was gathered at the New York end of the Brooklyn bridge waiting for trolley cars. An elderly lady, red in the face, flustered and fussy, dug her elbows into convenient ribs irrespective of owners.

A fat man on her left was the recipient of a particularly vicious jab. She yelled at him, "Say!"

He winced slightly and moved to one side.

She, too, sidestepped and thumped him vigorously on the back.

"Say!" she persisted, "does it make any difference which of these cars I take to Greenwood Cemetery?"

"Not to me, madam," he answered, slipping through an opening in the crowd.

ROBBER.

Crookston, Minn., July 19.—A thief at the Hotel Crookston last night robbed W. E. Lee, candidate for governor, who slept on a cot in a hall of \$4, procured from the Long Prairie man's trousers pocket. The intruder also entered the room of Manager Joseph Eckert, stole \$20 in cash and a \$160 diamond stickpin.

CHILD BURNED.

Grand Forks, N. D., July 19.—Gladys Handbeck, 4 years old, was burned fatally today while playing with matches. She climbed into a dry goods box filled with paper and applied a match. Before she could get out her clothing became ignited.

COTTON TRADE.

Washington, July 19.—Raw cotton exports reached a new record for value during the fiscal year of 1914 during which \$510,000,000 worth of that staple was sent abroad. The exports were worth \$25,000,000 more than the high record of 1911, preliminary figures announced today by the department of commerce show. While the value was greater, the quantity was less, only 9,185,000 bales having been exported, against 10,675,415, the high record made in 1912.