Here Are the Giants, Who Are Champions, Too, and New York Is Proud of the Both of You

Braves Down Giant Regulars And Then Bow to the Rookies

Champions Hit Harry Houlihan Freely Until Runners Threaten to Score; Clinton Blume Holds Visitors Well in Check in the Second Battle

By John Kieran

The world's champions lost the first game of the double-header with the Braves at the Polo Grounds yesterday by the score of 5 to 1, and the Rookies went out in the closing pastime to show their elders how a good job should be done. Behind the clever twirling f Clinton Blume, the Flatbush flower, the scalped the Braves by the score of 5 to 3. This business of winning after the champions have lost is developing into a habit with the Rookies.

The early contest was a port-sided affair entirely, with Harry Houlihan, of the Braves, holding the veteran Giants to one lone tally over the full route, while Mike Cvengros, a total and left-handed stranger to the 10,000 fans who visited the stadium, labored for the hired men of John Joseph McGraw. Mike with the peculiar name hails from Little Rock. He was stingy with his hits, but free with his passes. The Braves got but six hits during the fray, but the generosity of the rookie hurler caused his downfall. Furthermore, the Giant regulars took no chances of breaking their backs by trying too hard to win.

All the youngsters were tossed into the second fracas and they did themselves proud against the porr plants of Slim Braxton. They got eleven hits off the Boston hurler and emerged on the winning side of the argument after the score had been tied twice. Blume blossomed out as a promising hurler and pitched well in the pinches.

When two gentlemen of the names of Houlihan and Cvengros indulge in a battle in the vicinity of Coogans Bluff, it is only natural that the "Irisher" should emerge triumphant over the "Svenska."

Support None Too Good

Such was the case, though the young Giant portsider could have sued the rest of the team for non-support. They just went through the motions. On the other hand the Little Rock rookie doled out bases on ball to Southworth and Tony Borckel in the fourth inning just before Shorty Nixon noced the palings out of the center field fence with his homer.

That blow was enough to win the game, as Houlihan almost kalsomined the Clan McGraw. The lone run of the world's champions came in the second on a double to right by Lee King, an infield out and a single by Pancho Snyder. The Giants got twelve hits all told, but when they needed a safety they found Houlihan was curving them right into the ground.

Wildness ruined "Whoozis" as the grandstand occupants called the Giant hurler. His walk to Ford in the third resulted in a run that tied the score. O'Neil's scratch hit and a wandering shoot that nicked Houlihan on the heel filled the bases with none out and Ford scored as Powell hit into a double play.

Nixon's homer inside the grounds in the fourth, after Southworth and Borckel had walked, scored three tallies, and the last Boston run came in the seventh on a double by O'Neil, Meusel's fumble of the hit and a sacrifice fly by Houlihan.

There was a dearth of scoring in the early innings of the closing bill, in which the rookies disported themselves on the village green. Bancroft played short for a brief period and brought over a tally in the opening stanza on his own single, several infield outs and a safe blow by Higbee.

Braves Tie Score

The Braves tied it up in the third on a hit to right by Gibson, a two-base fumble of this drive by Shinners and a sacrifice fly by Braxton.

The Giantlets took another one run in the fifth on singles by Blume and McGuire, aided by an error on the part of Tony Boeckel. Once more the Hubtown hopefuls came back and equaled the score. It happened in the sixth when Blume almost aded from sight. A walk to Powell, a single by Larry Kopf and a safe bunt by Christenbury filled the bases with nobody out. Powell scored as Cruise hit into a double play and then Blume nipped the rally short.

Then came the lucky seventh in which the McGray scholars put over a brace of tallies on a walk to the Giant hurler, a triple by MacPhee and an error by Gallagher at short for Boston. The Braves added another to their total and brought the score to 4 to 3 in the eighth on a hit by Christenbury and Cruise, a wild throw by MacPhee and a passed ball by Gaston. A double steal by Gaston and Cunningham, with Seattle Bill on the scoring end, brought in the final tally for the Giants and the last marker of the game.

The "funny name club" held an active session yesterday. Cvengros, or "seven gross," as he was dubbed, was broken up into odd lots by Nixon's home run crash. The Henry Ford combination in the Hubtown batting order proved to be a flivver. The new umpire, O'Sullivan, stood behind the rubber in the early contest and rocked on his heels.

Furthermore when Hank Gowdy was asked the name of the Boston hurler in the opening battle, he chanted a stave of that ancient ditty, "It Was Hu-who Hu-who Huli-Houlihan."

The paying guests did not take kindly to the tactics of the Giants in the first game, when several of the veterans refused to slide and were put out standing up. However, John McGraw doesn't want any stars going into the world's series on crutches.

The biggest hit of the afternoon at the Brush stadium was the large scintillant figure "3" hung up on the scoreboard, indicating the Yankee harvest in the first inning up Boston way. Even the Giants stood up to give this a rousing cheer.

Some of the youngsters are making McGraw's bosom swell with pride in the manner of Sir Joseph Porter, K. C. B., commander of the H. M. S. Pinafore. Hy Higbee, a ringer for Ferdie Schupp, hits the ball with vigor and vim, and "Molly" Maguire, late of Holy Cross, does more than just look like Eddie Collins out around the second sack.

Just an Even Break

FIRST GAME

BOSTON (N. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e	NEW YORK (N. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Powell, cf..	5	0	1	5	0	0	Bancroft, ss	4	0	1	5	2	1
Kopf, 2b...	4	0	0	2	4	0	Groh, 3b...	4	0	2	1	2	0
Sout'rth, rf	3	1	0	4	0	0	Frisch, 2b..	4	0	0	1	8	0
Boeckel, 3b.	2	1	0	2	0	0	Meusel, lf.	4	0	1	2	0	1
Barbare, 3b.	1	0	0	0	0	0	Young, rf.	4	0	1	1	0	0
Nixon, lf....	4	1	3	3	1	0	King, 1b...	4	1	2	9	0	0
Henry, 1b...	4	0	0	8	0	0	Cun'am, cf	4	0	1	3	0	0
Ford, ss....	2	1	0	1	3	0	Snyder, c..	2	0	2	3	0	0
O'Neil, c..	4	1	2	2	0	0	Gaston, c..	2	0	1	3	1	0
Houlihan, p	2	0	0	0	1	0	C'gross, p..	3	0	1	0	2	0
Totals...	31	5	6	27	11	0	Totals..	35	1	12	27	15	2

Boston.....	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	0	0—5
New York.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—1

Two-base hits—Nixor, O'Neil, King, Snyder. Home run—Nixon. Sacrifice—Houlihan. Double plays—Frisch, Bancroft and King. Ford, Kopf and Henry. Left on bases—Boston, 5; New York, 7. Bases on balls—Off Czvengross, 4. Struck out—By Cavengross, 3; by Houlihan, 2. Hit by pitcher—By Cavengross (Houlihan). Umpires—O'Sullivan and Westervelt. Time—1:34.

SECOND GAME

NEW YORK (N. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e	BOSTON (N. L)	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bancroft, ss	1	1	1	0	1	0	Powell, cf..	3	1	0	2	0	0
Jackson, ss.	4	1	0	0	4	0	Kopf, 2b...	4	0	1	3	4	0
MacPhee, 2b	4	1	1	2	2	0	Christ'ry, rf	4	1	3	2	0	0
Maguire, 2b	4	0	1	3	7	0	Cruise, lf..	4	0	1	4	1	1
Higbee, lf..	4	0	2	0	0	0	Boeckel, 3b.	4	0	0	2	1	1
Shinners, rf	4	0	1	1	0	1	Henry, 1b...	4	0	0	10	0	0
King, 1b....	4	0	1	16	0	0	Gallagher, ss	4	0	0	2	1	1
Cun'am, cf	4	1	2	1	0	0	Gibson, c..	4	1	3	1	1	0
Smith, c...	2	0	1	3	0	0	Braxton, p..	2	0	0	0	1	0
Gaston, c..	2	0	0	1	0	0							
Blume, p..	2	1	1	0	0	0							
Totals...	35	5	11	27	14	2	Totals...	33	3	8	24	14	3

New York.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	x—5
Boston.....	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0—3

Two-base hits—Christenbury, Cunningham. Three-base hit—MacPhee. Stolen bases—Cunningham, Gaston. Sacrifice—Braxton. Double play—Jackson, Maguire and King. Left on bases—Boston, 5; New York, 8. Bases on balls—Off Blume, 1; off Braxton, 2. Struck out—By Blume, 2. Wild pitch—Braxton. Passed ball—Gaston. Umpires—Westervelt and O'Sullivan. Time—1:51.

North Carolina Team Plays Yale Saturday

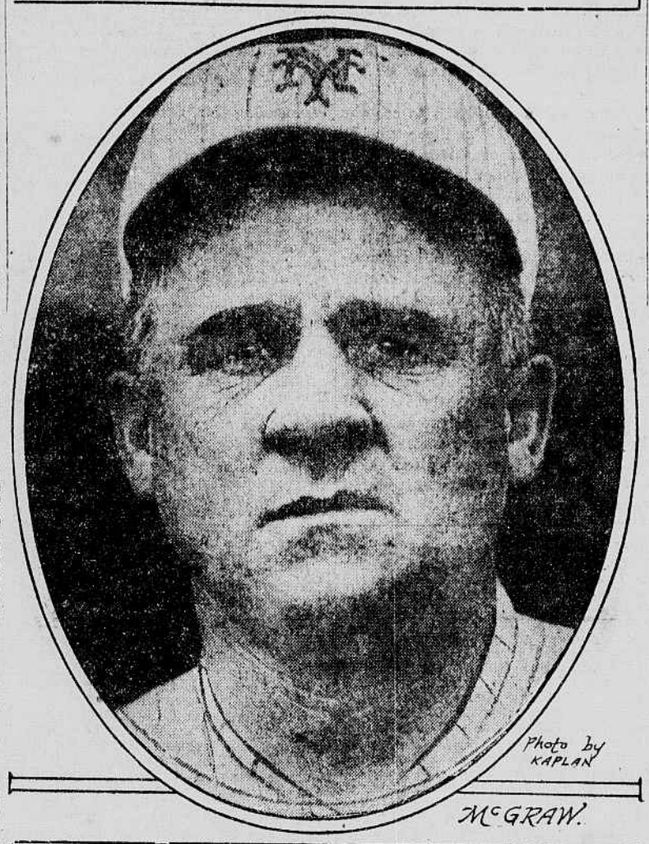
CHAPEL HILL, N. C., Sept. 30.—With the Yale game in New Haven only a wek off, the University of North Carolina football roll call shows in action five of last year's first-string line men and three backs. "Red" Johnston is the star ground gainer and the campus is praying that he will get loose and be able to show his speed when the Carolinians face the much heavier Yale eleven.

The performance of some of the men of the 1921 freshman squad is boosting the hopes for a creditable exhibition next Saturday. Sparrow, Blanton and Thomas are three of the most prominent candidates for varsity honrs. Merritt, a school star of two years ago, and Randolph, of Asheville, are looked upon with favor by the grandstand strategists. The North Carolina team wil leave here next Thursday and arrive in New Haven Friday afternoon. The Yale football management is to put a field at heir disposal for signal practice.

American Association

Kansas City, 6; Columbus, 2.
Louisville, 5; St. Paul, 2.
Indianapolis, 3; Minneapolis, 0.
Milwaukee, 4; Toledo, 1.

John J. McGraw



Financial Returns of Previous World's Series

The following table shows the financial end of the big series, with the winning and losing players' shares since 1903:

Year.	Games.	Attendance.	Largest Single Day.	Receipts.	Winning Players' Share.		Losing Players' Share.	
1903..	8	100,429	18,801	$50,000	Red Sox.....	$1,182	Pirates.....	$1,316
1905..	5	91,723	24,992	68,435	Giants.....	1,142	Athletics....	832
1906..	6	99,845	23,257	106,550	White Sox....	1,874	Cubs.....	439
1907..	5	78,068	24,377	101,728	Cubs.....	2,142	Tigers.....	1,945
1908..	5	62,232	17,760	94,075	Cubs.....	1,317	Tigers.....	870
1909..	7	145,295	30,915	188,302	Pirates.....	1,825	Tigers.....	1,274
1910..	5	124,222	27,371	178,980	Athletics.....	2,062	Cubs.....	1,375
1911..	6	179,851	38,281	342,364	Athletics.....	3,561	Giants.....	2,436
1912..	8	252,037	36,502	490,883	Red Sox.....	4,022	Giants.....	2,566
1913..	5	151,000	36,896	325,980	Athletics.....	3,246	Giants.....	2,164
1914..	4	111,009	35,520	225,739	Braves.....	2,812	Athletics....	2,031
1915..	5	143,351	42,300	320,361	Red Sox.....	3,780	Phillies.....	2,520
1916..	5	162,859	42,620	385,590	Red Sox.....	3,910	Dodgers.....	2,834
1917..	6	186,654	38,969	425,878	White Sox....	3,669	Giants.....	2,442
1918..	6	128,483	27,054	179,619	Red Sox.....	1,102	Cubs.....	671
1919..	8	236,928	34,379	722,414	Reds.....	5,225	White Sox...	3,254
1920..	7	178,737	27,525	564,800	Indians.....	4,204	Dodgers.....	2,387
1921..	8	269,976	36,509	900,233	Giants.....	5,265	Yankees....	3,510

W. and J. Expects Hard Battle With Bethany Players

WASHINGTON, Pa., Sept. 30.—Today's game between Wash.-Jeff. Westminster was merely in the way of preparation for the Presidents before the big battle next Saturday with Bethany (W. Va.) College, the combat comprising the first genuine test of the year for Coach Neale'e warriors.

Bethany rated as a Class B college came to Washington last year with a powerful team, but poorly coached and in the opening game held W. & J. to a 14—0 score. This year with an equally powerful evelen but with a coaching corps that stands high, the Buffaloes from West Virginia are expected to give Neale's men a tussle that will be well worth seeing.

Dave Morrow, former W. & J. star and last year one of Neale's coaching advisors, is at Bethany this year tutoring the line, while Katy Easterday, the stellar Pitt backfield man, is in charge of the Bison backs. The combination provides one of the smoothest coaching corps in this district and much is expected of the West Virginians. Bethany will present one of the biggest teams in America, the average over all being about 182 pounds.

Playing one of the tackle positions is Broadley, a giant Texan who weighs 240 pounds. Cranfil, the fullback, tips the beam at 210 pounds, while several others are near the 200-pound mark.

Two Races at 181st St. Ice Palace To-morrow

The official racing season at the 181st Street Ice Palace will open to-morrow night, when two feature races will take place. In the main event, closed to members of Class A in the half-mile, William Murphey, former national miler; Paul Forsman, former metropolitan outdoor champion, and Jimmy Smith, of the ice skating palace team, will be the principal stars.

In the Class D division for the half-mile Kenneth Boyd, of the Morningside A. C. ,and L. Williams, unattached, will start from scratch.

Two More Contests For Syracuse Team Before Big Battles

Coach John F ("Chick") Meehan, of the Syracuse Universiey football team, is eagerly looking forward to the next two games on the Orange schedule, which will test the strength of his powerful eleven previous to the important contests with Pittsburgh and Penn State On Saturday Muhlenberg will be entertained at Archbold Stadium, and the following week New York University will journey to Syracuse. Little is known of the strength of these two teams, but judging from past performances of last year both will present formidable elevens this fall.

A week ago the Orange aggregation encountered a snag in t he unheralded Hobart team, which withstood the attack of Meehan's heavy backs during the first half of the game. However, power proved itself later in the game and Syracuse drove over three touchdowns in rapid succession.

Bassinger, who played regularly at end last year, but because of added weight has been moved to guard, will be back in the fold next week. He has been recovering from an injured shoulder received during the practice at camp. Another casual, Bowman, reputed to be the fleetest back the Orange has had for many years, will also face Muhlenberg for his entry this year.

With the return of these two stars to the line-up Coach Meehan's charges should coast along smoothly until Glenn Warner's Pittsburgh Panthers invade the Orange territory.

Williams to Open Soccer Season With Dartmouth

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Sept. 30.—Plans for the Williams soccer team, which takes the field with the sanction of the athletic council as a varisity contender for the first time this fall, have been completed Manager John Durfee having arranged a schedule of four games. The season opens October 21 when Dartmouth will be played here.

Ruether Pitches Robins to Victory Over Phillies, 6-4

Dutch Ruether, star southpaw of the Robins' staff, scored his twenty-first victory of the season yesterday afternoon at Ebbets Field by defeating the Phillies 6 to 4 Incidentally it was Ruether's seventh triumph over the Phillies this season. The final game between the two teams will be played to-day.

The result of yesterday's contest was never in doubt. The Robins gave Ruether a three-run lead in the first inning, which the Quakers could not overcome. Wheat's triple was the big blow in this inning and he also had a single and a double in four trips to the plate. Hungling and Schmandt, with two hits apiece, were also successful against Specs Meadows, who went the route for the Phils.

Olson walked to open the first inning and after Johnston had flied out Tom Griffith also walked. Wheat then followed with his tripie to center, scoring Olson and Griffith. Zach also scored while Myers was being tossed out at first.

The Robins added another run in the fourth. Schmandt's single, High's sacrifice, Hungling's single and Ruether's force out doing the trick. The last two Brooklyn runs came over in the fifth as the result of Johnston's single, Griffith's walk, Wheat's double and Myers's sacrifice fly.

The Phils did not get to Ruether until the fifth, when a pass to Lee and Meadows's double produced a tally. They scored again in the sixth and brought two runs over in the seventh, but Ruether tightened and sent them back scoreless in the last two frames.

The score:

BROOKLYN (N. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e	PHILA. (N. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Olson, 2b..	3	1	1	5	6	0	W'stone, ss	4	1	1	2	2	0
Johns'n, ss	4	1	1	4	3	0	Rapp, 3b...	5	0	1	1	2	0
T.Griff'th, rf	2	2	0	2	0	0	Williams, cf	3	1	2	1	0	0
Wheat, lf..	4	1	3	0	0	0	Walker, rf.	2	0	1	1	0	0
Myers, cf..	3	0	0	5	0	0	McKan, rf..	2	0	1	1	0	0
Sch'ndt, 1b	4	1	2	8	0	0	Henline, c.	4	0	1	2	1	0
High, 3b...	3	0	1	0	3	0	Lee, lf....	3	0	2	1	0	0
Hungling, c	4	0	2	2	0	0	Leslie, 1b.	4	1	0	14	0	0
Ruether, p.	4	0	0	1	1	0	Park'on, 2b	4	0	0	1	8	1
							Meadows, p.	4	1	2	0	1	0
Totals..	31	6	10	27	15	0	Totals..	35	4	10	24	14	1

Brooklyn.....	3	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	x—6
Philadelphia.....	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0—4

Two-base hits—Henline, Meadows, Wheat, Wrightstone. Three-base hits — Wheat, Schmandt. Sacrifices—High, Myers. Double plays—Olson, Johnston and Schmandt; Johnston, Olson and Schmandt; Wrightstone, Parkinson and Leslie; Parkinson, Wrightstone and Leslie. Left on bases—Philadelphia, 6; Brooklyn, 6. Bases on balls—Off Meadows, 3; off Ruether, 2. Struck out—By Meadows, 2; by Ruether, 2. Umpires—McCormick and Emslie. Time—1:30.

Senators and Mackmen Divide Double-Header

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 30.—Washington and Philadelphia split even in a double header here to-day that closed the 1922 season in this city. Washington took the first game, 7 to 3, while the Athletics won the second, 7 to 4.

Eddie Rommel won his twenty-seventh victory of the season by capturing the second game. In this game Walker hit his thirty-seventh homer of the year. Miller hit a homer for the Athletics in the first game, giving him twenty-one for the second.

The scores:

FIRST GAME

WASHINGTON (A. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e	PHILA. (A. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Judge, 1b..	5	2	1	12	1	0	Welch, cf..	5	0	2	2	0	1
S.Harris 2b	5	0	3	2	2	0	Bruggy, c..	4	1	2	1	2	0
Rice, cf...	6	1	1	2	0	0	Walker, lf..	3	1	2	3	0	0
Goslin, lf..	4	1	1	1	0	0	Hauser, 1b..	3	0	0	15	0	0
Brower, rf.	3	2	1	2	0	0	Miller, rf...	4	1	1	0	0	0
Lapan, c..	4	0	2	5	2	0	Galloway, ss	3	0	2	2	4	1
Peck'gh, ss	4	0	0	2	1	0	Dykes, 3b..	4	0	0	3	1	0
Lamotte, 3b	4	0	1	0	3	0	Scheer, 2b..	4	0	0	2	7	0
Zachary, p.	4	1	1	1	4	0	B.Harris, p	3	0	0	0	2	0
							*Perkins ...	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals..	38	7	11	27	13	0	Totals...	34	3	9	27	16	2

*Batted for B. Harris in ninth inning.

Washington.....	0	0	0	1	4	1	1	0	0—7
Philadelphia.....	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0—3

Two-base hits—Brower, Judge, Galloway, Welch. Three-base hit—Rice. Home runs—Miller, Zachary. Stolen bases—Goslin, Brower, Lapan. SacrificeHHauser. Double play—Scheer, Galloway and Hauser. Left on bases—Washington, 6; Philadelphia, 7. Bases on balls—Off Zachary, 2; off B. Harris, 2. Struck out—By Zachary, 3; by B. Harris, 1. Umpires—Owens and Nallin. Time—1:38.

SECOND GAME

PHILA. (A. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e	WASHINGTON (A. L.)	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Welch, cf.	4	0	0	0	1	0	Judge, 1b..	5	1	2	12	0	0
Perkins, c.	4	0	1	3	0	0	Harris, 2b.	5	0	3	1	4	0
Walker, lf.	4	3	2	3	0	0	Rice, cf...	5	0	3	2	1	0
John'n, 1b	4	0	0	10	0	0	Goslin, lf..	5	0	1	1	0	0
Miller, rf..	4	1	2	3	1	0	Brower, rf.	5	2	4	2	0	0
Gallo'ay, ss	4	1	1	3	2	0	Peck'gh, ss	4	0	0	3	5	0
Dykes, 3b..	2	2	2	2	0	0	Picinich, c.	4	1	2	2	0	1
Scheer, 2b..	3	0	1	3	4	0	Lamotte, 3b.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Rommel, p.	3	0	1	0	3	0	Francis, p..	4	0	1	0	5	0
Totals..	32	7	10	27	11	0	Totals..	40	4	17	24	15	1

Philadelphia.....	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	1	x—7
Washington.....	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	—4

Two-base hits—Picinich (2), Judge, Perkins, Francis. Three-base hit—Dykes. Home run—Walker. Sacrifice—Lamotte. Double plays—Rommel, Galloway and Johnston; Harris, Peckinpaugh and Judge. Left on bases—Washington, 10; Philadelphia, 2. Base on balls—Off Francis, 1. Struck out—By Rommel, 2. Umpires—Owens and Nallin. Time—1:27.

Maryland Awaits Games With Tiger and Penn

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Sept. 30—Following their clash next Saturday with the University of Richmond in Richmond the most severe test of the campaign will await the University of Maryland gridmen. Maryland will face Pennsylvania on Franklin Field on October 14 and Princeton at Princeton October 21.

Skill and Staying Power Won Flag in the American League

Hugmen Were Aided by Acquisition of Dugan, but Ability to Come Through When Pressed Hardest Counted Most in Team's Ultimate Victory

By W. B. Hanna

Factors in the winning of a baseball pennant by any club are always a complex subject. They invole the work of the individuals, as such, the individuals as a team, luck—prone to be on the side of the strongest batteries, quoting from Napoleon—morale, which to a large extent must be established by the manager and captain, and the wisdom with which the men and team are handled and directed.

Excellent campaigning helped the Yankees to their pennant this year. The race was of the close, exacting kind, calculated to test the morale, skill and staying powers of the winner, and the strain of the long, severe grind was withstood admirably by the Yankees, which was a salient reason why they won.

The Yankees, having a good team spirit this year and being sturdy campaigners, were at their best when hardest pressed. Ability to win when they had to pulled them through, and it may be remarked in passing that such is their nature, they are inclined to slow down unless hard pressed and thereby toss away games, the winning of which would make their objective easier to reach. But that's the kind of a club they are, and what are you going to do about it?

None understands their nature better than Miller Huggins, to whom is due the credit for instilling in them much of the spirit that pulled them through the crises. Also as a strategist and tactician on the playing field Huggins hasn't a superior. He's as shrewd a manipulator as there is in baseball, better at that than as a leader.

Acquisition of Dugan

The acquisition of Joe Dugan in mid season was a big influence in the ultimate success of the New York team. The outlook was dubious at that time, and there was a hitch in the mechanism somewhere. Dugan's coming welded the infield into the most capable infield in the American League and he turned out to be a better player than his previous work had indicated.

The greatly improved playing of Walter Pipp and the presence of Everett Scott contributed to a stronger infield than last year, and the presence of Whitey Witt, though not strengthening the outfield as a defensive unit, gave the club what it most needed, a good waiter, fast runner and bunter and, therefore, a good lead-off man.

Joe Bush's big year in the box was invaluable, priceless, in fact, and saved the Yankees so far as pitching can save a team. He had able assistance from Shawkey, and the fact that the pitching staff consisted of five such men as Bush, Shawkey, Hoyt, Jones and Mays, for the most part in good condition, giving Huggins a staff of unusual strength to manipulate, was an asset of immeasurable value.

Schang had his best year yet behind the bat, and that came handy in a year when the pennant was so hard to win. Bob Meusel improved as a hitter and fielder, and Ruth drove in a good many runs with his big bat and pulled out games on the critical Western trip, which wouldn't have been scored otherwise. He and Pipp and Meusel were the driving force in that last trip.

The Yankees won the pennant on the road this year fully as much as at home. Their successful trips the last two times they went West decided the issue. Their attitude counted, just cool resolution and a strong defense behind good pitching, with the three aforementioned batting in most of the runs.

When Going Was Hardest

They played far better ball the latter half of the year than the first, being best when the going was hardest and sweeping through the West in face of hostile crowds. The way they did that the last two times showed they had pluck and poise to support physical ability. On the last Western trip, when they had to do or die, they had no helpful environment to cheer them on. They had to do it all themselves, but that fact was of so little moment to them that they scarcely gave it a moment's thought. Which gives some idea of their businesslike attitude toward the job.

The Yanks always were in the race—never far away from first place—but their playing through April, May and June was not promising. They didn't begin to "go," didn't play up to expectations, until the second Western trip, and until the defense had been buttressed by Dugan. At last, I think, they'd have won with Frank Baker at third, for Frank is a good influence, and it was the spiritual as much as the physical change which came over them which lifted them out of the doldrums of spring and early summer.

It was a seesaw race with the hard fighting, hard hitting Browns, a seesaw race with them practically all the way. The Browns were their real opposition, neither team cracking, and winning being a severe test of endurance—the ability to stick—and skill under sustained fire. No pennant ever was more creditably won.

The critical point, if any one series can be such, was, I think, the latter part of August, when the Yankees best the Browns three games out of four here in New York. There they showed the St. Louisans that they (the Yankees) were the better team. They repeated that demonstration in St. Louis in September. Then came three straight in Detroit, while the Browns were losing two out of three to Washington, to clinch the flag.

One, Two Three Clubs

The following table, giving the one, two, three clubs from time to time during the season, tells better than a long dissertation how the Yankees and Browns fought it out, never more than two or three games apart:

April 20—Cleveland, St. Louis, New York.
May 4—St. Louis, New York, Chicago.
May 18—New York, St. Louis, Cleveland.
June 15—New York, St. Louis, Washington.
June 29—St. Louis, New York, Detroit.
July 13—St. Louis, New York, Chicago.
July 27—St. Louis, New York, Chicago.
August 17—St. Louis, New York, Detroit.
August 24—New York, St. Louis, Detroit.
September 7—New York, St. Louis, Detroit .
September 14—New York, St. Louis, Detroit.
September 21—New York, St. Louis, Detroit.
September 28—New York, St. Louis, Detroit.

On August 18 the Yankees won, while the Browns were losing, and the two were tied for the lead. The next day the Yankees took the lead—theirs to have and to hold. On September 16 and again on September 18 the two teams were half a game apart.

The Yankees went into the final week with the nice lead of three and a half games, but even then there were moments of anxiety before they put it over. They fell away greatly in their hitting, and their lead narrowed down until the sure thing outlook was a good deal less so. It wasn't until the next to the last day that the race was decided. The Yanks came in limping, but they came in. Some race!

Columbia's Chess Star Returns to College

Morris A. Schapiro, ches champion of Columbia University and also title holder at the Manhattan Chess Club, has returned after an absence of two months from the West, where, in the shadow of Ozark Mountains, he studied mining and geology at first hand.

This year will be his fourth year in colleg and he will again represent the Blue and White in the intercollegiate tournament with Harvard, Yale and Princeton. Columbia has won the intercollegiate trophy seven years in succession.

Johnston Not Sure of Trip Abroad With Tilden

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—William M. Johnston, tennis star, back at his home here to-day from the East, disclaimed knowledge of reported plans for a trip to Wimbledon, England, in 1924, with William T. Tilden 2d, the American champion, to invade European courts. He explained that "two years is a long time to predict for."

Asked if he would retire from the game, Johnston intimated the only reason he ever would retire would be because of old age.

Stevens Tech Easily Defeats Cooper Union

Stevens Tech held Cooper Union scoreless in a practice contest at Castle Point Field yesterday afternoon, meanwhile rolling up 17 points on its account. Fullback Callahan of the Hoboken Engineers was the leading scorer, accounting for 10 of the 17 points. He made a touchdown, a field goal and a goal from touchdown. Lavery made the other touchdown and Snyder kicked goal.

Stevens will open its regular season next Saturday, meeting Haverford at Haverford, Pa.