Roush and Kauff, Rivals for Batting Supremacy in Fed League, Have Resumed Warfare in National League

SPEAKER DISCOVERS FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH

While Other Players Grow Older, Tris Continues to Become Younger.

OTHER BASEBALL GOSSIP

By SHORTSTOP.

That old chestnut about How old is Ann? is rather played out by now, but here is a new one: How old is Tris Speaker? Speaker, so far as we can recall, is the only ball player on record who grows younger instead of older. After some stormy five years during which he maced quite a collection of pitchers we find that Speaker is back at the same age he was reputed to be when the Giants and Red Sox fought for the world's championship in 1912.

Speaker was born in Hubbard City, Tex., on April 12, 1883, or in Hubbard City, Tex., on April 4, 1888, whichever you prefer. You may take whichever date you like, as both are in the records. Nevertheless the great outfielder of the Indians recently registered for the draft, so he seems to favor the 1888 birth date.

In fact, it was the draft which really brought the question of Speaker's age to the front. Many persons, including a number of sporting writers, asked, "Why should Speaker register when he is moving toward the thirty-fifth milestone?" But Speaker now says he is only 29 and has a page in the family Bible to prove it.

Tris's Age a Puzzle.

Perhaps there never was a leading star about whom there was so much doubt over his age as in the case of Speaker. The record books up to a few years ago have Speaker born in 1882. In the sketches of the Boston players participating in the 1912 and 1915 world's series Speaker again appears as being born in 1883, and the statement was never questioned.

Speaker looks like a man well on to 35. He has quite a crop of gray hair and has the appearance of a man between the ages of 30 and 40. He frequently was referred to as a player older than Cobb, and last season there was considerable comment on the fact that the mighty Tyrus was beaten out for the batting championship by a player older than himself.

In the baseball record book gotten up in 1916 Speaker appears as being born in 1888. This was generally considered to be a misprint, an 8 instead of a 3, but now that Speaker has registered for the draft it seems the 1888 birth year is correct.

But for the general misconception regarding Speaker's age, it is likely that the Yankees would have made much more of a bid for Speaker in 1916 than was the case. It will be recalled that there was some talk of a trade of Speaker for Maisel and cash, and Cap Huston even admitted that during the winter meeting he had had some conversation with Joe Lannin on the acquisition of Speaker. Huston said the price Lannin put on the player was so prohibitive that it ended the conversation.

Age Balked Trade.

"Were Speaker a younger man, such a price might have been considered," Huston told Shortstop at the time. But Speaker is now well past 30 and won't get any better. Any player over 30 is a gamble pure and simple. He may hold up for several years or go just like that." That conversation took place in the spring of 1916.

Cleveland, perhaps informed as to Speaker's real age, or taking a chance, paid that prohibitive price which Lannin set on the player. But perhaps if the New York club knew in April, 1916, that Speaker was only 28 instead of 33, the Yankee club would have shown much more interest in the Speaker proposition.

The $22,500 handed to Auctioneer Sinclair of the Federal League for Lee Magee along with the salary of $25,000 for three years guaranteed Magee, would almost have paid for Speaker. And perhaps had Maisel been thrown in the price would have been cheaper. Can any one imagine the difference in the Yankee standing to-day had the club bought Speaker instead of Magee in the winter of 1916?

Krueger Gains Fame.

Ernie Krueger, the young Brooklyn catcher, may never win a regular berth, but he has two distinctions. He drove a ball over the left field fence on the Polo Grounds last week which was quite a swat. Fred Merkle is the only other player who has cleared that fence in the last half dozen years.

Krueger has another distinction: he has played on each of the three Greater New York teams. Prior to his tryout by the Yanks he had a whirl or two around the American League in a Cleveland uniform. Krueger has been with the three local teams in less than two years. He was tried out by Donovan in the fall of 1915, but sent back to Omaha, as he did not show anything at bat.

He kept hitting in the minors, and the Giants brought him back to New York last spring. He remained with the Harlem club until a few weeks ago when he was switched over to Brooklyn. Robby is giving the young Teuton a lot of work. Ernie showed up well on the Polo Grounds last week.

Keeler With Three Local Teams.

Willie Keeler is the only other player who ever played on all three New York teams. Keeler was with the Brooklyns before the American League raid wrecked Ned Hanlon's superba champions of 1899 and 1900. Keeler then was one of the stars brought to New York by the American League, and remained with the Yankees until the end of the 1909 season. Willie then finished out his big league career with a season with the Giants as coach and extra outfielder.

Benny Kauff also played with three Greater New York teams, but one of them is no longer in existence. Benny was first tried out by the Yankees in 1911 and 1912, played with the Brooklyn Tip-Tops in 1915, and has spent the last two seasons with the Giants.

JOLLY TARS IN FEATURE GAME.

Battleship Indiana Nine Will Play Jersey City Team To-day.

A team from the battleship Indiana, which recently won the championship of the Atlantic Fleet, will be the opponent of the Jersey City nine in the feature of a double header at West Side Park. The team is composed entirely of college and professional players who recently joined the colors. A few weeks ago the Indiana nine played a tie with the Philly Nationals. Waterfield of Rutgers and Tuero of Utica State League team will pitch for the visitors and Jimmy Clinton will work for the home boys. Other Navy players will be McGeehan of the Philly Nationals; Mallory, Michigan University; Roy Scott, Denver, Western League, and Rogers, New York State League.

In the first game at 2.30 the Jerseyites will play the Milford, Pa., team. Bill Herring, former Giant, will pitch for Jersey.

HIS AGE PUZZLES FANS

TRIS SPEAKER.

Often referred to as being older than Ty Cobb, Cleveland player now asserts he is of conscription age.

Keen Sport in Store for Saratoga Patrons

SARATOGA SPRINGS, Aug. 18.—The fixtures for the final ten days of the meeting of the Saratoga Racing Association are so attractive in all respects as to insure the devotees of thoroughbred racing the highest quality of sport. It would indeed be a fastidious patron of the sport who could find fault with the variegated and alluring programme for the next ten days, especially for the coming week. The quality of the entertainment is attested by the fact that there has been a daily increase in the attendance as against the figures of previous seasons.

The card for next Saturday, August 25, is particularly attractive. It includes the Grand Union Hotel Stakes at six furlongs, the Merchants and Citizens' Handicap at one mile and three-sixteenths and the Saratoga Steeplechase Handicap at about two miles and a half. These will bring out the cracks of the two-year-old, the handicap and cross-country divisions respectively.

Old Rosebud Again.

In the Merchants and Citizens' Old Rosebud will get his final preparation for the Saratoga Cup, to be run on the final day of the meeting, and no matter what penalty Mr. Vosburgh may allot the wonderful gelding he will probably go to the post, as Trainer Weir says one race is worth half a dozen works in preparing a horse for a supreme effort. Weir knows that the race of his life awaits Old Rosebud in the Cup, which is a real test of a horse's merit, being over the mile and three-quarter route. Omar Khayyam is the horse he fears most, and at weight for age both these superb thoroughbreds will have a host of supporters.

For the Merchants and Citizens', which is worth $3,000, Old Rosebud, Strombolt, Spur, Capra, The Finn, Embroidery, Clematis II., Colonel Vennie, Ed. Crump, Dodge, Omar Khayyam, Sunbonnet, Hendrie, Roamer, Ticket, Cudgel, Hodge, Borrow, Regret, Rickety and Corn Tassel are among the eligibles. Dodge, which has been out of training for some months with a bad quarter crack, may make his first appearance this year in this race.

Papp will indeed be king of the two-year-old division if he can pack his weight and win the Grand Union Hotel stakes. He is at the top of his form and Trainer Hirsch is another horseman who believes in running his charges when they are doing well. Papp is a singularly lusty colt—as big as most three-year-olds—and he has speed and courage aplenty at his command. His record in winning the United States Hotel, Sanford Memorial and Flash stakes at this meeting stamps him as a juvenile of real merit.

Sunbriar Dangerous.

The most determined opposition which Mr. Loft's good colt will encounter will come from Sunbriar, Kashmir, Nutcracker, Escoba, Atalanta, Rosie O'Grady, Free Cutter, Tracksend, Ultima Thule and Debadou. Sunbriar will take a lot of beating if the course is not hard, as he has a phenomenal turn of speed and Kashmir, which will have the benefit of an allowance, will carry the hopes of many of the most discriminating members of the talent.

This colt was sold as cast off at the Wickliffe Stables sale at Empire City, when he was purchased by William Clancy for $800. Clancy, who trained the Wickliffe horses in 1916, had broken the colt, which is a full brother to Cutram, which was sent to England and won the Lincolnshire Handicap in the Keene colors. The fascination of the turf is illustrated by the fact that three prominent turfmen are negotiating for the purchase of the son of Delhi and Runaway Girl, which is held at $15,000. Not a bad investment for Clancy, who is a trainer of the old school.

Two miles and a half is supposed to be farther than Weldship cares to go, but Mr. Weld has in St. Charlotte a doughty candidate for the Saratoga Steeplechase. Sun King, Louvois, Martian, Curraghaleen, Bet, Bonnie Laddie, Tetan, Pebeto and Robert Oliver are a few of the eligibles.

Kentucky Stakes To-morrow.

The Kentucky Stakes for fillies two years old will be the feature of to-morrow's card. There are some smart youngsters engaged, among them Pretty Baby, a good winner in Kentucky and Canada; Umatilla, Wawbeek, Ima Scherr, Josie A., Vocabulary, Irene and Stitch In Time.

For Wednesday the Grab Bag for two-year-olds at six furlongs will give the programme a sporting flavor. This event will have a big field of high class two-year-olds. A selling stake—the Mohawk for three-year-olds of a guaranteed cash value of $2,000—will be Thursday's piece de resistance. It is a dash at a mile, and the starters will come from the following: Woodtrap, Ballad, Brooklyn, Pulaski, Courtship, Phocion, Battle Abbey, Riverdale, Gunrock, Kalitan, Butterscotch II, Starfinch, Master McGrath, Killdee and Straight Forward.

DEMMITT LEADS BATSMEN.

Tops List of Sluggers in American Association.

COLUMBUS, Aug. 18.—Ray Demmitt of Columbus continued to lead the American Association, with an average of .323 for 102 games. Beals Becker of Milwaukee, who was in second place, has dropped to fourth, while Vlex of Kansas City and Kirke of Louisville, who were tied for third place, now are second and third respectively.

Massey of Minneapolis, who last week worked himself into a tie with Mollwitz of Kansas City as a run getter, continued to hurn up the paths, and this week broke the tie and is leading in runs scored with 80, two in front of Mollwitz.

The leading batters who have played in half their clubs' games:

Demmitt, Columbus, .323; Vlex, Kansas City, .313; Kirke, Louisville, .312; Becker, Kansas City, .310; Leibrell, Kansas City, .307; G. Williams, Louisville, .306; Anderson, Milwaukee, .304; Mollwitz, Kansas City, .303; Dressen, St. Paul, .300; Altizer, Minneapolis, .298.

HYATT'S WORK FEATURES.

"Ham" Among Best All Around Players in Southern Association.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 18.—"Ham" Hyatt, of Chattanooga widened the gap between himself and Covington of Little Rock for honors as leading run getter of the Southern Association. Hyatt having scored eighty times. Hyatt also has taken the lead in total bases away from Edmonson of New Orleans.

Ham in 127 games has stretched 144 hits into twenty-four doubles, ten triples and nine homers, giving him a mark of 215 total bases. He also is one point behind Jack Munch of Atlanta for batting honors. Munch is leading with .326.

The batting leaders follow:

Munch, Atlanta, .326; Hyatt, Chattanooga, .322; Moran, Atlanta, .321; Kinsley, Nashville, .320; Edmondson, New Orleans, .316; Vick, Memphis, .314; Ellis, Birmingham, .296; Covington, Little Rock, .291; W. Baker, Little Rock, .289; Webb, Birmingham, .289; Thrasher, Atlanta, .289.

UP-STATE CHAMPIONS HERE.

De Puyster Nine of Tivoli Plays Kingsbridge Athletics To-day.

The De Puyster nine of Tivoli, N. Y., which won the Mohawk Valley championship last season, will make its second appearance of the season here on Sunday in a game with the Kingsbridge Athletics at Dyckman Oval, near the Dyckman street subway station. On their first visit several weeks ago the up-State champions lost an interesting contest. Keleher and Schwartz will pitch for the home team.

The De Puyster nine is composed entirely of former minor leaguers and up State collegians. The team has few superior to it in this city as a fielding combination. A delegation of rooters will accompany the visitors.

FOR WESTERN CHESS TITLE.

Tournament Will Begin in Lexington, Ky., To-morrow.

The most important chess championship tournament of the year, that of the Western Chess Association, will open to-morrow at the Elks club rooms on North Broadway, Lexington, Ky. Edward Lasker of Chicago will be on hand to defend his title and J. W. Showalter of Georgetown, Ky., president of the association, will also be a contestant. A masters or championship and a major tournament will make up the programme for the week.

G. Nyholm of Stockholm was the winner of the recent Scandinavian chess tournament held at Christiania. The scores of the three prize winners were: Nyholm, 7½-2½; K. Berndtsson, 6½-3½; O. Smedal, 6-4.

Abraham Kupchik, champion of the Manhattan Chess Club, in an exhibition of simultaneous chess given before the members of the Brooklyn Central Y. M. C. A. Chess and Checker Club Thursday made a score of ten wins, one loss and one draw. Lester McCudden was the successful opponent of the Manhattan expert, while H. L. Bubbett drew his game.

The annual meeting of the Louisiana State Chess Association will start to-moorow at the rooms of the New Orleans Chess, Checker and Whist Club and will extend over three days.

WILKINSON LEADS NEWARK TO VICTORY

Allows Buffalo Only Three Hits and Bears Win by 1 to 0.

RUSSELL'S HIT DECIDES

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.
Results of Yesterday's Games.

Newark, 1; Buffalo, 0.
Providence, 8; Rochester, 1 (first).
Rochester, 7; Providence, 4 (second).
Toronto, 3; Baltimore, 1 (first).
Baltimore, 12; Toronto, 0 (second).
Montreal, 5; Richmond, 4.

Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	P.C.		W.	L.	P.C.
Toronto	71	48	.597	Rochester	64	64	.455
Providence	69	48	.586	Buffalo	59	67	.427
Baltimore	68	48	.586	Richmond	46	70	.291
Newark	66	47	.584	Montreal	45	75	.273

Games Scheduled for To-day.

Buffalo in Newark (two).
Rochester in Providence.

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 18.—(International).—Newark beat Buffalo here to-day, 1 to 0. Roy Wilkinson allowed Buffalo but three hits. Russell drove Callahan in with Newark's only run. The score:

BUFFALO (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e	NEWARK (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Kopp, lf	2	0	0	1	0	0	Fuller, 2b	3	0	1	4	3	1
Gill, 2b	3	0	1	3	3	0	Lewis, ss	3	0	0	2	4	1
Carlst'n, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0	Getz, 3b	3	0	0	0	4	0
Jackson, cf	3	0	0	1	0	0	Callahan, cf	3	1	1	2	0	0
Hummel, 1b	4	0	1	9	0	0	Camp, lf	3	0	1	2	0	0
McDon'd, ss	3	0	0	2	4	0	Eidred, rf	3	0	0	2	0	0
St'nfeldt, rf	3	0	0	2	1	0	Russell, 1b	3	0	2	11	2	0
Onslow, c	3	0	1	5	2	0	Egan, c	3	0	0	4	2	0
Tyson, p	3	0	0	1	4	0	Wilkinson, p	3	0	2	0	2	0
Totals	24	0	3	24	14	0	Totals	25	1	7	27	15	2

Buffalo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0
Newark	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	x—1

Two base hits—Wilkinson, Gill. Stolen base—Fuller. Sacrifice hits—Gill, Lewis, McDonald, Tyson, Fuller, Carlstrom. Double plays—Tyson, McDonald and Hummel; Steinfeldt and Onslow. Left on bases—Buffalo, 3; Newark, 4. First base on balls—Off Wilkinson, 3; off Tyson, 2. Hits and earned runs—Off Wilkinson, 3 hits 0 runs in 9 innings; off Tyson, 7 hits 1 run in 8 innings. Struck out—By Wilkinson, 4; by Tyson, 3. Umpires—Messrs. Finneran and Bedford. Time of game—1 hour and 35 minutes.

AT RICHMOND.

MONTREAL (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e	RICHMOND (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e
McAuley, ss	5	1	1	3	0	0	Hanford, cf	4	0	0	4	0	0
Moran, cf	4	0	1	2	0	0	McGrann, ss	4	1	1	4	3	0
Zim'man, 3b	5	0	0	1	4	0	Clemens, lf	4	1	2	2	0	0
Smith, rf	5	1	2	4	0	0	Bankston, rf	3	0	2	1	0	0
Duffy, lf	3	0	0	1	0	0	Koehler, 1b	4	1	1	8	0	0
Slattery, 1b	3	1	2	14	0	1	McD'vitt, 3b	3	0	0	2	4	0
Damrau, 1b	3	1	1	3	2	0	Knabe, 2b	4	1	2	2	4	0
Howley, c	4	0	1	4	2	0	Reynolds, c	4	0	1	2	0	0
Hersche, p	3	1	0	0	0	0	Adams, p	3	0	0	0	2	0
							*Daniel	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	5	8	27	12	1	Totals	32	4	7	27	13	1

*Batted for Adams in the ninth inning.

Montreal	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	5—5
Richmond	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	4—4

Two base hits—McGaffigan, Slattery. Three-base hit—McAuley. Home run—Koehler. Stolen bases—McGaffigan, Clemens, Bankston. Sacrifice fly—Slattery. Double plays—Bankston, Knabe and McGaffigan; Zimmerman, Damrau and Slattery. Left on bases—Montreal, 7; Richmond, 5. First base on errors—Montreal, 1; Richmond, 1. Bases on balls—Off Hersche, 4; off Adams, 4. Hits and earned runs—Off Hersche, 7 hits, 4 runs in 9 innings; off Adams, 8 hits, 5 runs in 9 innings. Struck out—By Hersche, 2; by Adams, 2. Wild pitches—Hersche 2, Adams. Umpires—Messrs. Hart and Freeman. Time of game—1 hour and 45 minutes.

AT BALTIMORE.
FIRST GAME

BALTIMORE (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e	TORONTO (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Acosta, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0	Truesdale, 2b	4	0	2	3	0	0
Fewster, 2b	3	0	1	2	4	1	Jacobson, cf	3	0	0	3	0	0
Lamar, lf	4	0	0	2	0	0	Whitem'n, lf	4	0	2	2	0	1
Barber, cf	3	0	0	1	1	0	Lajoie, 1b	4	1	2	7	0	0
Lowry, ss	0	0	0	1	0	0	Schultz, rf	4	0	1	4	0	0
Bentley, 1b	4	1	1	4	0	0	Blackb'n, 3b	4	0	1	1	2	0
Ruess, 3b	3	0	0	2	0	1	Murray, ss	4	1	1	1	2	0
Shannon, ss	4	0	1	2	4	1	Lalonge, c	4	0	0	4	1	0
McAvoy, c	4	0	1	4	0	0	Thompson, p	4	0	1	0	1	0
Thomas, p	3	0	1	0	2	0							
*Schaufele	1	0	0	0	0	0	Totals	35	3	8	27	9	1
Totals	33	1	6	27	11	3							

*Batted for Thormahlen in the ninth inning.

Toronto	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2—2
Baltimore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1—1

Two base hit—Murray. Home run—Bentley. Stolen base—Truesdale. Left on bases—Baltimore, 4; Toronto, 7. First base on errors—Baltimore, 1; Toronto, 1. Bases on balls—Off Thormahlen, 2; off Thompson, 2. Hits and earned runs—Off Thormahlen, 8 hits, 1 run in 8 innings; off Thompson, 6 hits, 1 run in 9 innings. Struck out—By Thompson, 4. Umpires—Messrs. O'Brien and Mullen. Time of game—1 hour and 45 minutes.

SECOND GAME

BALTIMORE (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e	TORONTO (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Acosta, rf	4	2	4	2	0	0	Truesdale, 2b	4	0	1	3	2	0
Fewster, 2b	4	3	1	3	5	0	Jacobson, cf	4	0	2	2	0	0
Lamar, lf	5	0	2	2	0	0	Whitem'n, lf	4	0	0	4	0	0
Barber, cf	4	1	2	1	0	0	Lajoie, 1b	4	0	3	7	0	0
Bentley, 1b	5	1	2	9	0	0	Schultz, rf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Ruess, 3b	5	0	0	2	0	1	Blackb'n, 3b	4	0	1	2	1	0
Shannon, ss	4	1	0	2	4	1	Murray, ss	4	0	2	4	3	0
Schaufele, c	3	2	1	6	1	0	Lalonge, c	3	0	0	5	1	0
Hilly, p	3	2	2	0	2	0	Leake, p	0	0	0	0	0	0
							Warhop, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	39	12	16	27	12	2	Totals	31	0	4	24	9	0

Toronto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0
Baltimore	2	0	0	3	0	0	7	0	x	—12

Two base hits—Schultz, Lamar, Barber, 2. Sacrifice hit—Fewster. Double plays—Shannon, Fewster and Bentley; Lalonge, Blackburne, Murray and Truesdale. Left on bases—Baltimore, 11; Toronto, 7. Bases on balls—Off Warhop, 2; off Hill, 3. Hits and earned runs—Off Hill, 4 hits, 0 runs in 9 innings; off Leake, 2 hits, 2 runs in no innings; off Warhop, 14 hits, 10 runs in 9 innings. Hit by pitcher—By Warhop, 1. Struck out—By Hill, 2; by Warhop, 3. Wild pitch—Leake. Passed balls—Lalonge, 1; Schaufele, 1. Umpires—Messrs. Mullen and O'Brien. Time of game—1 hour and 40 minutes.

AT PROVIDENCE.
FIRST GAME

PROVIDENCE (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e	ROCHESTER (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Eayrs, cf	4	0	0	2	0	0	Rodriguez, lb	4	1	0	7	1	1
Massey, 2b	4	1	1	2	4	0	Collins, lf	4	0	2	0	0	0
Cooney, ss	3	1	0	2	3	1	Young, cf, 3b	4	0	1	3	0	0
Twombly, lf	3	1	2	2	0	0	Doolan, ss	3	0	1	2	1	0
Onslow, rf	3	1	1	1	0	0	Causey, rf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Tutwiler, 1b	4	0	2	12	0	0	Schaefer, 2b	4	0	3	1	0	0
Thomas, 3b	4	2	1	0	2	0	Wendell, rf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Mayer, c	2	1	0	6	1	0	Spiner, 3b, ss	3	0	1	2	0	0
Schultz, p	4	1	2	0	1	0	Sandberg, c	3	0	0	4	2	0
							Smith, p	3	0	0	0	1	0
							*Lohman	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	8	11	27	14	1	Totals	31	1	12	24	5	1

*Batted for Smith in the ninth inning.

Rochester	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1—1
Providence	0	0	1	0	4	2	1	0	x	—8

Hits and earned runs—Off Schultz, 6 hits, 1 run in 9 innings; off Smith, 11 hits, 7 runs in 8 innings. Stolen bases—Tutwiler, Rodriguez, Collins, 2. Two base hits—Wendell, Thomas, Twombly. Sacrifice hits—Onslow, Mayer. Struck out—By Schultz, 6; by Smith, 4. Bases on balls—Off Schultz, 4; off Smith, 3. Wild pitches—Schultz, Smith. First base on error—Rochester, 1. Left on bases—Providence, 4; Rochester, 12. Balks—Schultz. Umpires—Messrs. McBride and Carpenter. Time of game—1 hour and 47 minutes.

SECOND GAME.

PROVIDENCE (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e	ROCHESTER (I.)	ab	r	h	o	a	e
Eayrs, cf	4	0	0	4	0	0	Rodriguez, lb	4	1	1	11	1	0
Massey, 2b	3	0	1	2	3	0	Collins, lf	4	1	2	0	0	0
Cooney, ss	3	0	0	2	3	0	Young, 3b	4	1	3	1	2	1
Twombly, lf	5	1	2	0	0	0	Lohman, cf	4	1	1	4	0	0
Onslow, rf	4	0	1	2	0	0	Schafer, 2b	3	1	0	4	1	1
Tutwiler, 1b	4	1	1	7	0	0	Wendell, rf	4	2	1	0	1	0
Thomas, 3b	3	1	1	2	1	1	Schepner, ss	1	0	0	1	3	1
Allen, c	3	1	0	6	2	1	Sandberg, c	3	0	2	1	0	0
Peters, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	Causey, p	4	0	1	0	2	0
*McNeil	1	0	0	0	0	0							
Reulbach, p	0	0	0	0	0	0	Totals	32	7	9	27	11	3
Totals	32	4	5	27	7	3							

*Batted for Peters in the eighth inning.

Rochester	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	5—7
Providence	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	4—4

Hits and earned runs—Off Peters, 9 hits, 4 runs in 8 innings; off Causey, 5 hits, 1 run in 9 innings. Stolen base—Collins. Two base hit—Wendell. Three base hits—Twombly, Wendell. Sacrifice flies—Sandberg, Schepner. Massey. Sacrifice hits—Collins, Peters. Double plays—Rodriguez (unassisted); Thomas and Tutwiler. Left on bases—Providence, 7; Rochester, 7. Hit by pitcher—By Causey (Allen). First base on errors—Providence, 1; Rochester, 2. Left on bases—Providence, 3; Rochester, 4. Umpires—Messrs. Carpenter and McBride. Time of game—1 hour and 40 minutes.

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SPORT VITAL TO NATION

By SPRINTER.

"Not for one minute questioning the motives of the New York A. C.," said an army officer last week in discussing the action of that club in refusing to permit its athletes to compete in title meets, "I think the club has made a mistake in deciding not to be represented in the national track and field championships. I would be glad to see them rectify it and believe the officers of the organization big enough to do a 'right about face' if shown it were the proper move.

"The New York A. C. very patriotically announced it would do its most to encourage athletics just at the time when most of the amateur sports organizations mistakingly had decided they would curtail and practically abolish sport. Since then those high in authority have announced the wisdom of encouraging athletics at this time and have requested associations to follow the same procedure as the New York A. C.

In taking the recent stand against championship meetings the New York A. C. did so with the idea that it would not be patriotic and sportsmanly to hold title meets with most of the star athletes away at the front or in active service. The New York A. C., however, lost track of the fact that championship meets are needed to encourage the sport and keep it flourishing.

Let Title Meets Go On.

"I believe championship meets in all branches of sport should go on as usual. They will furnish the incentive needed to keep our young men interested in athletics and no one better than we know the vital need of athletics at the present time."

"If a man isn't an athlete when he enters the training camp he is one before he completes his course," the officer continued. "What is the definition of an athlete? The dictionary says, 'One who is trained to exercises of agility and strength.' Such training is a part and a most necessary part of the curriculum in all our training cantonments.

"To be a good soldier one must be a good athlete, and to be a good officer one must be a good soldier. The physical and mental health and strength of an army as a whole plays just as important a part in modern warfare as it did when men went to battle in loin cloths and fought with clubs or their naked hands.

Health Affects Courage.

"Athletics make for health in mind as well as in body. The two generally go together. One thinks quicker, clearer and deeper when his physical being is well attuned than he does if his health and strength is in any way affected. Incidentally the average person does not know the tremendous degree health and strength affects courage and resourcefulness. Cowardice very often is the direct result of some bodily ailment or imperfection.

"A popular definition of an athlete would be, 'one who excels in strenuous physical sport.' I think I am safe in saying that 75 per cent. of the men in the officers' training camps are such kind of athletes. By that I don't mean that every man is a champion, although we have scores of champions of celebrity enrolled. At least 75 per cent. of our embryo officers have achieved much above the ordinary in some branch of sport or other. Again I say they are not all champions, but almost each and every man is above the average.

"We always are glad to have a crack athlete apply for admission to the service. We know the chances are 50 to 1 that he will make a first class officer. The leader in sport already has gone through the preliminary training that makes him a leader of men on the battlefield. It is human nature for the ordinary mortal to look up to and admire a crack athlete. There is a sort of a glamour and romance attached to a champion.

Men Look Up to Athletes.

"An officer with a reputation of having been there in athletics, of having won high honors by the power of his own arm or limb, or lungs, or his stout heart, or nerve, has the respect and confidence of the men under him right from the start. All he then has to do is to hold what he already possesses. He doesn't have to be worrying how he is going to create a respect and admiration for him among his command.

"Athletics is a great thing in and out of the service. Athletics is being strongly featured at every training camp abroad as well as here. It not only offers ideal training to fit men for soldiers but it also furnishes the ideal entertainment and recreation after men are in active service to relieve the strain and tension of battle and campaign. That is why sports continually are going on behind the lines in France.

When Regiment Loses "Pep."

"When a front line regiment or brigade goes stale, loses the pep and dash and esprit that makes it an efficient fighting unit it is brought back of the lines for rest and recuperation. While in the 'rest' camps it has been found that the best thing to put the outfits back on edge is strenuous physical sports and recreation".

"Those in charge strive to get the war worn men interested in intercompany or intersegmental athletic rivalry and competition. We find that quickest makes them forget the hell of the trenches up front.

"The service benefits almost as greatly from athletics outside as well as inside. If a man has had physical training before he enlists he doesn't need so much of it after he gets his uniform. The fact that America long has been a sporting nation and that the majority of her youths are active in some form or other of physical sport has been of inestimable advantage to us."

SEALS VS. BUSHWICKS.

Will Play in Feature Game at Ridgewood To-day.

The In-er-Seals and the Pennsylvania Red Caps will be the opponents of the Bushwick team in a double header at the Ridgewood grounds, Halsey street and Wyckoff avenue, Brooklyn, this afternoon. The Seals, with Phelan and Kistler in the points and three members of the old Long Branch Cubans, should furnish strong opposition to the Bushwicks in the feature game. The team is making a splendid showing this season, some of the leading nines of the metropolitan district being among its opponents.

The Red Caps were defeated in a thrilling game by the Bushwicks last Sunday—4 to 3. The contest went twelve innings. Marty Walsh and Williams will pitch for the Bushwicks.

Federal League Stars Battle for N. L. Crown

Roush and Kauff Lead Tener Pack—Cobb and Speaker Declare a Truce in American League—Giant Lefthanders Show Strength.

The feature of the batting races is the fight being put up by two former Federal League stars—Eddie Roush of the Reds and Benny Kauff of the Giants for the National League batting crown. Benny, however, will have to hustle to beat out Roush, as Eddie gained eight points last week, against four for Kauff. Roush is now hitting .348, twenty-five points better than Kauff, who is in second place with .323.

There was a truce in the American League batting carnival last week, both Cobb and Speaker holding exactly the same figures they held a week ago. Cobb still is leading with .384 and Speaker is second with .349. Sisler of the Browns, however, again is at Speaker's heels, running up his average from .341 to .348 last week.

The Giants have three men in the .300 class. Kauff, Zimmerman, hitting .311, and Joe Wilhoit rated at .306. Allen Russell, the pitcher, is the only Yankee .300 man, hitting .313.