

THE GIANTS STRONG FOR COLORS, BUT NEVER WERE ACCUSED OF ENTHUSIASM OVER LA VENDER

FAST-GOING, PENNANT-CHASING PHILLIES NOW IN NEW YORK FOR DECISIVE SERIES WITH LEADERS

Morans Must Take Majority of Six Games in Three Days to Keep in Race—Mackmen Desert Cellar

VISIONS of a pennant flying at Broad and Huntingdon streets for the 1917 season still are before the Phil faithful, despite that eight-game handicap which separates the Morans and the Giants. Today the Phillies start the series that will make them pennant contenders or put them out of the race. Six games in three days against the league pacemakers—that's the hard task now before Moran and his men, and if they succeed in taking the measure of the Giants in the majority of the contests then they still can count themselves in the race.

Since Monday the Phils have gained a game and one-half on New York, taking two from the Dodgers while the Braves were annexing two out of three from the leaders. The Giants expect to have Herzog in condition to take part in the important series, and if the captain of the leaders is able to take his place in the line-up then the Phils are in for a severe season. Yesterday Herzog played part of the game and out of two trips to the plate was good for a double.

The Giants are not playing the same ball that marked their work a few weeks ago. Probably the big lead which they held had something to do with the let-down, but just now the Phils are going strong and with the temporary slump of the Giants should make headway at the expense of the leaders. Lavender is certain to be called upon to bear his part in jolting the Giants, and if he goes well in the first game it would not be surprising to see Moran send him back in the second.

The Phils played a fine article of ball against the Dodgers yesterday and only a remarkable throw by Hickman in center field saved the pennant chasers from winning in the regulation nine innings. Stock had singled with one runner and after Cravath expired the run-and-hit sign was out and Stock started a mad chase around the bases. Luderus did his part and doubled to center, but Stock was cut down at the plate by Hickman. The Phils bunched two of the three hits in this frame, but couldn't win. Pfeffer twirled wonderful ball, retiring the Phils in order in eleven of the fourteen innings.

OESCHGER also is deserving of praise. He allowed six hits, walked three and hit one batsman. He was in trouble on a number of occasions, but three fast double plays did much to keep runs away from the plate. Bancroft and Niehoff each had eight assists.

Bush and Witt Lift Macks Out of Cellar

THE Mackmen came up for air. After a long sojourn in the cellar the A's, by taking three straight from the Senators while the White Sox were making headway at the expense of the Browns, deserted the cellar and the St. Louis aggregation now is the occupant of the lowly position. Joe Bush, back in the good graces of Cornelius McGillicuddy, expressed his appreciation by holding Washington to four hits, while Witt's timely work was responsible for the pair of Mack runs. He scored the first and his triple drove home the second. Bush started the first game of the double-header against the Senators Monday, but was derided early under the severe bombardment of Griffith bats and only for Tuba Schauer the Athletics still would be at the bottom.

Bullet Joe asked for another trial before the visitors got away and he atoned for his first failure by holding the Senators safe all the way. The best the Macks can do this year is to keep out of the cellar, and if Connie does that much he will call it a successful season. The Senators, in sixth place, enjoy a lead of ten and one-half games and with only thirty more on the schedule it would require a prolonged winning streak for the Macks to advance.

The champion Red Sox will be here for the next four days, opening the series at Shibe Park this afternoon. Just now the Boston clan is seven games in the rear of the White Sox and if they wish to have their pennant aspirations realized it will be necessary for them to sweep the series. The Mackmen are just as anxious to make a clean-up, as seventh place is at stake, and it means more to Mack than a pennant does to the Red Sox. The White Sox play in St. Louis today, have an open date tomorrow, then return home and entertain Cleveland for two days.

RUTH and Mays, always trouble makers for the Mackmen, twirled the double-header against the Yankees yesterday, and it is some satisfaction to have them out of the way at the start. But Barry has Leonard and Shore in reserve, and this pair, when in condition, can make it hard for any team.

East Will Have Chance to See "Dobie" Football

THE most successful football coach of the Far West will be seen on an Eastern gridiron this fall. For the last few years he has heard of the wonderful work of the University of Washington coach, who went through season after season without suffering a reverse. The only setback his team encountered in eight years was a scoreless tie against the University of Oregon, Hugo Bezdek's eleven, which defeated Penn at Pasadena last New Year's Day. In his eight years at Washington he never lost a game, and for three seasons before going to Washington coached college eleven without tasting defeat. He was a star at the University of Minnesota before entering upon his coaching career, and despite the calls of his alma mater remained away. Despite his success with the Washington eleven he "got in bad" with the faculty for standing by his team when a few were barred from the team for scholastic reasons. His record as a successful tutor counted for nothing with the faculty and he was invited to go. The team stood by the coach and a few of the stars also were told to move.

Dobie then was engaged by the University of Detroit to act in the capacity of head coach at a salary of \$2000. He was led to believe that the school had 500 advanced students and when he issued his call for candidates a few weeks ago only a handful turned out. He then learned that instead of having 500 college students the majority of this number were in the preparatory department and not eligible for the team. Then it was that he tendered his resignation, which was reluctantly accepted.

The Naval Academy was in need of an experienced tutor since Head Coach Ingram now is in active service in the navy. The Naval Academy has decided to resume football, and with the signing of Dobie the Navy stock has taken a great jump. The Navy now has some of the best talent in the country, and many of Dobie's friends on the coast declare that the Haughtonized East soon will be the Dobilized East.

ALTHOUGH Dobie went undefeated for eleven years, he takes nothing for granted, and each fall what is known as "Dobie grouch" is developed. This peculiar trait had its origin in 1901 when Dobie was playing with Minnesota, and his team, confident of victory, fell victims to Wisconsin in the annual clash.

Ted Meredith's Farewell to the Track

THE business of flying has occupied the attention of one of our greatest athletes for a decade. During the better part of that time he was flying over the clinders of his native land with a few short trips abroad to demonstrate his prowess on the track. But the real business of flying, aviation, now demands so much time from our celebrated speedster that he finds few moments on terra firma to train and hence we hear of his announcement that with the running of the mile race in St. Louis on Labor Day he was going to put away his spikes for good. If we recall correctly it was just a year ago that Ted made the same declaration. Just a few days before the national A. U. championships at Newark in September, 1916, Meredith stated that he would bid farewell to the track after the meet. Ted lost his national 440-yard title and was disappointed. He changed his decision and said he would make one more attempt to recover his lost honors.

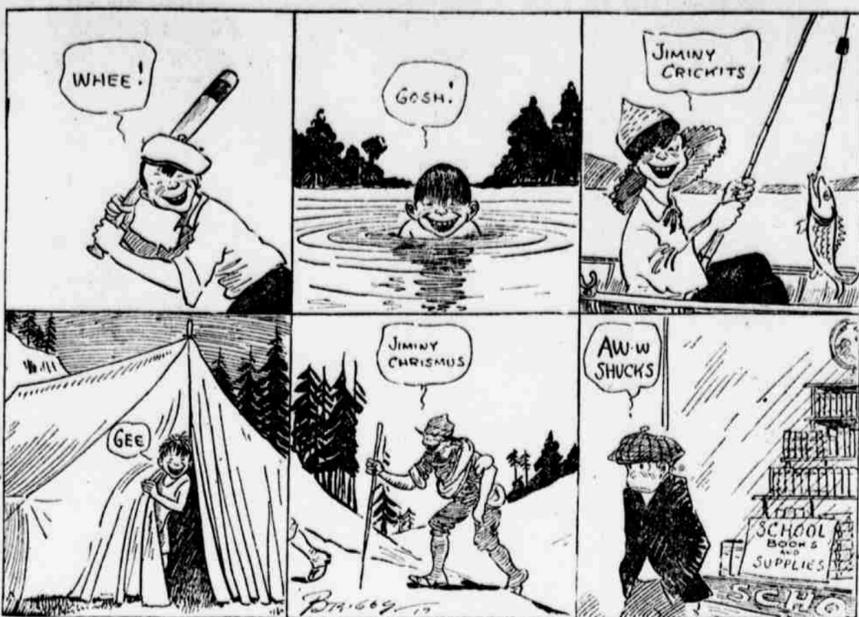
Meredith was in competition regularly during the 1916-1917 indoor season and not until he went to Ithaca last spring to take up active flying did he sever relations with the track. Now he finds his duties as student aviator require much time and concentration. Ted soon expects to get his commission and see service abroad and he feels that to spend much time on the track might jeopardize his chance of winning an officership. Meredith tried another comeback here a few weeks ago in the Meadowbrook games and took second to Shea, of Pittsburgh, in 49 2/5 seconds. When Ted was running in real Meredith form anything slower than 48 3/5 seconds was poor time. Ted admitted after the race against Shea that he underestimated the speed of his opponent and permitted him to set too slow a pace in the early part of the race and that when he started his drive near the finish he found Shea had just as much in reserve as he did.

BUT Ted had the satisfaction of being a winner in his last race. He ran anchor man for Meadowbrook against a classy field of quarter milers and when he took the baton in the last lap had ten yards to make up. He ran a typical Meredith race, though it was his third of the day, finished in front and ended his career as a Meredith should bring it to a close.

Coast League Manager Spends Money Recklessly

OUT on the coast one of the league managers was guilty of parting with money without getting results. Walter McCredie, the veteran, pilot of the Portland team of the Pacific Coast League, had his team in San Francisco, while engaged in an important series his infield was torn to pieces by injuries and he sent a hurried call to Portland for Second Baseman Bill Rogers. Now Rogers Portland to Frisco it is only a distance of 1200 miles and the transportation is around \$125. Rogers came on, got into one game as a pinch hitter and was promptly benched. That was the only game Rogers played in as the injured infielders recovered. Very reckless of McCredie.

SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



NATIONAL SOCCER DATES ANNOUNCED

League Season to Open September 30, With Eight Teams Entered

SUNDAY GAMES ARE ON

The official schedule of the National Association Football League for the season of 1917-1918 was announced today by Secretary William Patrick, Diston A. A., of this city, which won the championship of the American League last year, has joined the National Association and will play at home Saturdays, traveling on Sundays.

The National Association is composed of the best soccer teams in the East—Bethlehem Steel, West Hudson A. C., New York C. C., Paterson F. C., Scottish-American F. C., Babcock and Wilcox F. C., Jersey A. C. and Diston A. A.

The season opens on Sunday, September 30, and closes February 3. Philadelphia will get their first view of the class of the league on October 13, when Diston meets Paterson F. C.

The schedule is as follows: the games to be played on the grounds of the first club mentioned: September 30—West Hudson A. C. vs. New York C. C.; October 7—Babcock & Wilcox F. C. vs. West Hudson A. C.; October 14—West Hudson A. C. vs. Jersey A. C.; October 21—West Hudson A. C. vs. Paterson F. C.; October 28—West Hudson A. C. vs. Bethlehem Steel F. C.; October 28—No league games scheduled.

AMERICAN CUP TIE: November 1—West Hudson A. C. vs. Diston A. A.; November 8—Bethlehem Steel F. C. vs. Paterson F. C.; November 15—Scottish-American F. C. vs. Jersey A. C.; November 22—Bethlehem Steel F. C. vs. West Hudson A. C.; November 29—Bethlehem Steel F. C. vs. Paterson F. C.; November 29—No league games scheduled.

U. S. F. A. CUP TIE: November 29 (Thanksgiving Day)—Diston A. A. vs. Bethlehem Steel F. C.; November 29—No league games scheduled.

AMERICAN CUP TIE: December 6—Babcock & Wilcox F. C. vs. Scottish-American F. C.; December 13—West Hudson A. C. vs. Jersey A. C.; December 20—West Hudson A. C. vs. Paterson F. C.; December 27—West Hudson A. C. vs. Bethlehem Steel F. C.; December 27—No league games scheduled.

U. S. F. A. CUP TIE: December 27 (Thanksgiving Day)—Bethlehem Steel F. C. vs. Diston A. A.; December 27—No league games scheduled.

AMERICAN CUP TIE: January 6—Jersey A. C. vs. West Hudson A. C.; January 13—West Hudson A. C. vs. Bethlehem Steel F. C.; January 20—West Hudson A. C. vs. Jersey A. C.; January 27—Bethlehem Steel F. C. vs. Scottish-American F. C.; January 27—No league games scheduled.

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FRANK McNICHOL INJURED; NOW AT BROTHER'S HOUSE

Frank McNichol, of the Logan Square baseball team, who was injured during a ball game at Atlantic City Labor Day morning, was removed to the home of William McNichol, his brother, at 1527 Race street, yesterday. McNichol pulled a tendon in his right leg while attempting to convert a base hit into a run out.

Carlisle Begins Practice: CARLISLE, Pa., Sept. 5.—The opening of the academic year yesterday at the Carlisle Indian School, which has increased attendance, was the occasion for the annual turnover of football equipment. From which the faces of those older lads who have gone to war were missing. Among the inmates youth appeared a number of husky boys for Coach Leo Harris's inspection. Coach Glenn Warner, of Pitt., a guest here, looked over the material and made valuable suggestions.

OPEN AIR ARENA—SHIBE PARK: 21ST AND LEHIGH AVE. WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 5TH: Charlie White vs. Johnny Tillman: FOUR OTHERS: FIRST HOUR, 8:30 P. M. ADMISSION, One, Two, Three and X-ray's, 20th and Lehigh ave.; Brennan's, 22d and Lehigh ave.

"Meet Me at Shibe Park Today": RED SOX with Barry, Walsh and Penneck open farewell series, 8:30 P. M. See the ATHLETIC's sweat kings. Bring your friend in khaki. I thank you.

The best way to enjoy the White-Tillman series tonight is to go to the Gayety Theater. See the Darlings of Paris. Hear the Athletic's sweat kings. Hear the Gayety read from the stage and take no chances with the weather.

CAMBRIDGE ATHLETIC CLUB: FRANKLIN OTHERS AND COMPANY: FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 7: FIVE CRICKET MATCHES

EASTERN BASKETBALL LEAGUE TO OPEN SEASON ON SCHEDULE TIME; RADICAL RULE CHANGES ADOPTED

THE Eastern Basketball League held a meeting at the Bingham last night and decided to inaugurate the season on schedule time. At the same time there was an air of doubt as to whether this decision carried any weight, as several teams expressed dissatisfaction at the conclusions reached by the majority and renegades were threatened.

To say the gathering was a "blood-out" would not be exactly in accord with the proceedings, the only thing missing being six pairs of boxing gloves, and then a just verdict may have been rendered. There is evidently a split in the ranks judging by the voting at last night's shows. The majority have decided on reform and favor "reform within the ranks." It is Jasper, Reading, Camden and De Neri against Graystock and Trenton, and before a motion was carried to adjourn several radical innovations were ordered put into effect.

Favor Three and Two: The question of having three professional and two minor league players on a team, and which was left over at the spring meeting, again came up for discussion. There were varied opinions expressed on the subject. Several declared it would be a necessary move in order to equalize the playing strength of the clubs, owing to losses due to enlistments and the draft. Trenton and the Greys were bitter in their denunciation of the proposal. Mr. Bailey favored a radical cut in salaries, with the retaining of five professionals. His argument was that fans in this vicinity have been educated to an all-professional club and they desired that kind. Mr. Kuser sided with the Greys. The Trenton overture seems to have signified, again, came up for discussion.

Gossip of Eastern League: Each club had two representatives present last night except Trenton. They were Bert Barr and William Schwartz, Reading; Bill Kenney and John Linton, Jasper; Walter L. Bailey and Sam Merritt, Graystock; Glenn DeNeri and William Merritt, De Neri; R. C. Kuser, Trenton; and Charles Hein and Martin Gilbert, Camden.

Manager Kennedy, of Jasper, was the Eastern League's most vocal spokesman. He favored the non-professional rule, but said he favored the non-professional club over the professional club. He has proposed this change for years.

Games Would Be Faster: William Schwartz, of Reading, the agitator of the three and two rule, talked at length on the subject. He declared the fans would witness faster ball with two young-

NO TEAM HAS BEEN EQUAL TO TASK OF WINNING 3 WORLD'S SERIES IN A ROW; RECORD WON'T BE BROKEN

Cubs and Athletics Held Record-Breaking Nines Together for Five Years, but Best They Could Do Was to Win Twice

THE irascible fates have never yet permitted any ball club to win three World Series in a row, and they apparently have no intention of rearranging the ancient schedule this coming season. The classic Cubs of 1906-10 were unequal to the rugged assignment, and the equally classic Mackmen of 1910-14 also crumpled before the three-year-in-succession job.

The Cubs and Mackmen each held their great machines together for five years. Each won four pennants in this five-year period, yet with all their amazing skill and speed and power they were not able to occupy the World Series throne for three straight years.

And then the Red Sox came. They crushed the Phils, four games to one, in 1918. In 1918, minus speaker and with Barry injured, they won a second pennant, and thwarted the depressed Dodgers by the same four-one margin. Nineteen hundred and seventeen was their last. The Red Sox had but two old rivals to beat off—White Sox and Tigers. They had dispersed both handily for two years whenever the need came to call out the reserves. Three weeks ago when the White Sox suddenly collapsed and blew a five-game lead within a week, the old story seemed to be under way again. But, as we remarked earlier in this column, the fates have never yet permitted any ball club to win three world series championships in a row. In place of sagging and skidding, as they had done before in other campaigns, the White Sox rallied and fought their way back to the old margin by September 1. With a star infielder wounded and out of harness, the Cook County grenadiers had pilfered some of Boston's stuff, leaving the Red Sox a chancy way to the peak, which they had defended so well through the September campaigns of 1915 and 1916. September's schedule is all their way, but White Sox improvement over past years has upset April calculations.

Such is the genial dope, with Jackson and Collins batting around .520 or .540 the White Sox stagger along in the red. Then, as Joe and Eddie fade well below .300, their ball club begins to make noise like a pennant flapping in an autumn wind.

The Reds are now pointing to the future. Last season they put the league's leading batsmen in display. This season they hope to have both the leading batsman and the leading pitcher in Ed Roush and Fra Tony. By next season there'll be no prize left except the mere detail of winning their first pennant in forty-one years.

The Phillies have discovered a prominent young pitcher in the person of a Mr. Charles Bender, said to be a Chippewa chief. While Mr. Bender is a Carlisle graduate, this is his second season with the Phils. There is a rumor out that he was given a brief trial by Connie Mack before enlisting under National League colors.

ARMY TO PLAY FOOTBALL, BUT NAVY GAME IS OFF

West Point Makes Effort to Resume Same Schedule Canceled Last Spring: WEST POINT, N. Y., Sept. 5.—The army will have its football team this year, but there will be no game with the navy. This announcement was made today, with the added statement that an effort will be made to resume the schedule canceled last spring when athletics at the service school was abandoned.

BEIDEMAN CLUB SHOOT SCHEDULED TOMORROW

The Beideman Club, of Camden, will hold its midweek shoot tomorrow. An invitation is extended to all trap shooters.

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