

# Athletics Fumbled Again---Bob Groom Twirls Great Game

## Groom Is in Form and Nationals Win

### Connie Mack's Athletics Are Trounced, 9 to 7. Home Team Knocks Morgan and Plank Out of Box.

By WILLIAM FEET.

Bob Groom turned the Athletics back at the concrete castle yesterday and our rejuvenated ball tossers romped away with a nifty 9 to 7 victory. This makes two out of three from the Mack tribe thus far, and with Dixie Walker and Walter Johnson yet to be heard from chances are bright for at least one more win before the boys depart on their long, dismal journey.

Yesterday's pastime bristled with more than the ordinary amount of thrills. Capt. George McBride took exception to Ump Connelly's conversation with Bob Groom and was chucked out of the game. Just what Captain Mac said is not known, but it is safe to hint that his words would hardly look good in a family newspaper. At that McBride was right, and it was refreshing to see one of our athletes register a protest. Groom's grievance was on a strike which Connelly missed. The ball out the plate in half, and McBride in trying to restrain Groom from kicking over the traces got "in bad" himself.

This incident is mentioned in connection with the game for the reason that McBride is seldom chased by an umpire and never puts up a "holier" unless he has just cause for so doing.

### Athletics Are Dangerous.

Another large and juicy thrill came in the last spasm, when the White Elephants splashed four runs over the plate, and had men so arranged that a safe sweat would have tied the score. McInnis was up and two had perished. The crowd simply waited and held its breath. Groom shot over a couple of strikes and then followed with two balls. McInnis took a chance and swung at the next one pitched. A grounder, which Eberfeld picked up cleanly and slammed over to first, ended the game, and about 6,000 fans homeward in a cheerful mood.

Too much praise cannot be showered upon Bob Groom. The slim slant artist had everything, including a "reverse English crossfire" whatever that is. Collegian John Henry caught a dandy game, while McBride, Walker, and Gessler did the best hitting.

Connie Mack's veterans, Cy Morgan and Eddie Plank, performed two innings each and were yanked out to permit a chap named Lester Long, picked up by the Athletics from the college ranks, make his big league debut. Long hails from Lafayette, and is the man whom it is claimed the Nationals tried hard to sign. Young Mr. Long was a puzzle until the eighth, when his twisters were biffed to every part of the ball yard.

Bob Groom blanked the champs in the opening round. The Nationals got to Morgan for a tally in their half. Milan ambled to first on four bad ones. Schaefer also drew a walk. Eberfeld was hit in the arm, filling the bugs. Gessler rolled to Baker, who threw out Milan at the plate. Walker also grounded to the visitors' third baseman, and Baker tried for a double play. He slammed to Collins ahead of Gessler at second, but Walker was too speedy and beat the ball to first. Schaefer coming home on the play.

A base on balls to Murphy, Barry's out, and a single to right by Thomas tied the score in the thirteenth second, but the home folks put the finishing touches on Cy Morgan in their half of this round by collecting three tallies.

Nationals Score Three More. McBride waited for a base on balls and stole second. Cunningham beat out a roller, and when Henry was passed the bases were loaded. Groom did, Collins to McInnis, McBride coming home on the out. Milan was presented with a free ticket and a minute later Schaefer singled, scoring Cunningham. Eberfeld popped to Collins, but Morgan uncorked a wild pitch and Henry was over the rubber. Score, Nationals, 4; Athletics, 1.

The Nationals' third saw Eddie Plank doing box duty. Red Walker watched four bad ones sail by, and McBride smashed the ball to left center, Walker scooting to third. As the ball was returned to Barry the latter thought McBride was trying to sneak down to second and chucked the ball in the direction of Eddie Collins. It was a bum heave and as Collins dashed into right field after the pill Walker romped home.

Milan notched another tally for the home folks in the fourth, when he led off with a single, stole second, and reached third when Strunk fumbled Thomas' throw. Schaefer fled to Strunk, and on Eberfeld's out, Baker to McInnis, Milan was over the rubber. Score, Nationals, 8; Athletics, 1.

The White Elephants cut this lead down in their half of the sixth, when McInnis singled and walked home ahead of Danny Murphy, after the latter had straightened out one of Groom's fast stunts to the clubhouse for a circuit split. This wallop was the first specimen of its kind seen here in a couple of years.

Mack's rah rah boy, Lester Long, held

the Nationals safely until the eighth, when Milan poked out a scratch single. Schaefer followed suit. Eberfeld fied on a grass cutter to the pitcher's box, but Doc Gessler smote to right, scoring both Milan and Schaefer. Walker and McBride both cracked out safe hits and on the latter's swing Gessler came home. Score, Nationals 4; Athletics 8.

The ninth was a sure enough thriller. Danny Murphy cracked out a single and took third on a wild pitch. Barry walked. Lapp doubled to left, scoring Murphy. Davis, batting for Long, was hit by a pitched ball. On Lord's out, Eberfeld to Schaefer, Barry counted. Strunk fanned and Collins was passed. Baker smashed out a two-bagger, scoring Lapp and Davis and advancing Eddie Collins to third. McInnis could have tied the score at this stage had he been able to rap up a safe hit, but his best effort was a grounder, which Eberfeld chucked to Schaefer, and the game was over.

It was in this inning, with the bases loaded and nobody gone, that McBride kicked himself out of the game. McBride shifted Eberfeld to short and put Wild Conroy on third. Score:

WASHINGTON, AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Milan, cf.	4	2	1	1	0
Schaefer, 1b.	4	2	1	1	0
Eberfeld, 2b.	4	2	1	1	0
Gessler, 3b.	4	2	1	1	0
Walker, lf.	4	1	1	1	0
McBride, ss.	4	1	1	1	0
Groom, p.	4	0	0	0	0
Cunningham, 2b.	5	1	2	1	0
Henry, c.	2	1	0	0	1
Morgan, p.	4	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	9	13	12	1

### ATHLETICS.

AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Lord, lf.	4	0	1	1	0
Strunk, cf.	4	0	1	1	0
Collins, 1b.	4	0	1	1	0
Baker, 2b.	4	0	1	1	0
McInnis, 3b.	5	1	1	1	0
Murphy, rf.	3	2	0	0	0
Thomas, c.	2	0	1	1	0
Lapp, p.	2	1	1	1	0
Conroy, 3b.	1	0	0	0	0
Plank, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Long, p.	1	0	0	0	0
Davis, lf.	1	0	0	0	0
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Totals	26	7	5	5	0

### NOTES OF THE GAME.

And Bob didn't blow up.

But that final session made several of the faithful sick at heart.

Capt. Mac was once more the sweet child with the stick, the fast shortfielder slapping out a double and two singles out of four trips to the dish.

Cunny came back into his own and slammed a pair of singles out of five times at bat.

Manager Mack only used fourteen men in a last attempt to stop our Nationals, but all to no avail.

Long Bob Groom opened the game by fanning Lord, Henry dropping the third strike, but getting the pill in time to get Briscoe at first.

"Isn't that a cute little whisk broom that the umpire has? Why doesn't he use it more?" said a fan in the rear of the press box. Well, maybe it wouldn't be a bad idea.

In the third Spartacus Walker once more appeared on the scene with his old-time war club, but Plank, who was doing duty on the slab, walked the pride of the Carolinas.

Mac tried to steal third in the third inning, but a perfect throw from Thomas nailed him a yard.

Tommy Hartals was sent in to bat for Plank in the third, and promptly singled over second.

The latest recruit from the college ranks, Mr. Long, looked good for the first two innings he worked, only one safety being made off the youngster, a scratch by Groom.

After beating out a bunt in the eighth, Groom went to third on Schaefer's second single. This was one of the neatest exhibitions of base running seen on our diamond this year.

When Doc dumped the ball in right for a single, the Tennessee flyer and the rejuvenated Dutchman crossed the counting block.

In the first of the ninth, Bob Groom objected rather strongly to one of Umpire Connelly's decisions on a pitched ball. It was plain to those directly in the rear of the ump that the ball out the plate in two, but the ump ruled different.

Capt. McBride, in attempting to get Groom back in the box, incurred the displeasure of our arbitrating boss and he was sent to the bench after a wordy war with Connelly. Still not satisfied, the ump sent Mac to the clubhouse.

Riley and Ten Eyck to Base.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., June 29.—A feature of the national regatta here on July 28 and 29 will be a race between Groom, two well-known veterans, James Riley and James Ten Eyck. Riley has been training at Saratoga Lake while Ten Eyck has been coaching Syracuse.

San Johnson III.

Cincinnati, Ohio, June 29.—President Ben Johnson, of the American League, is laid up with indigestive rheumatism at the home of his brother in this city, and the meeting of the national commission last for to-day had been postponed. Mr. Johnson was stricken on a train en route to this city last night.

## Big League Races Seen at a Glance AMERICAN LEAGUE.

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Washington, 9; Philadelphia, 7. Cleveland, 3; Chicago, 7. St. Louis, 4; Detroit, 5. New York, 3; Boston, 1. Boston, 3; New York, 2.

### GAMES TO-DAY.

Philadelphia at Washington. Chicago at Cleveland. New York at Boston.

### STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.	Win. Loss.	
Detroit	41	22	.657	573	487
Philadelphia	41	22	.651	568	491
New York	38	25	.603	512	450
Chicago	38	25	.603	512	450
Boston	32	31	.539	437	417
Cleveland	32	31	.539	437	417
WASHINGTON	28	41	.474	373	448
St. Louis	27	47	.379	351	538

### NATIONAL LEAGUE.

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Philadelphia, 4; Brooklyn, 1. Cincinnati, 5; Chicago, 4. New York, 10; Boston, 4. Pittsburgh, 8; St. Louis, 4.

### GAMES TO-DAY.

Brooklyn at Philadelphia. Pittsburgh at St. Louis. Chicago at Cincinnati. Boston at New York.

### STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.	Win. Loss.	
New York	41	22	.651	568	491
Philadelphia	39	24	.618	540	469
Chicago	37	26	.588	504	438
Pittsburg	27	36	.429	364	507
St. Louis	26	37	.412	354	488
Cincinnati	25	43	.368	345	448
Brooklyn	23	41	.360	329	444
Boston	19	59	.239	281	513

### BROWNS BEAT TIGERS.

Jack Powell Twirls Rare Game and St. Louis Wins, 6 to 5. Detroit, June 29.—Works was hit freely to-day until St. Louis had enough runs to win, 4 to 5, and then Eddie Summers was substituted. The Browns' fielding was generally brilliant. Two swell double plays nipped Tiger rallies. After Jack Powell got his blood circulating he was the Jack of former years. Only once from the third inning did he let two safeties collaborate. Score:

St. Louis, AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Summers, p.	4	0	0	0	0
Wright, 1b.	4	1	1	1	0
Walters, 2b.	4	1	1	1	0
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Totals	34	6	11	11	0

### NAPS WIN OUT.

Come from Behind and Beat White Sox, 8 to 7. Cleveland, Ohio, June 29.—The Naps won their third victory in two days from the White Sox to-day, coming from behind and jumping into the lead in the eighth, when they scored four runs being tied in the ninth on some brilliant base running by Callahan and winning out in the tenth, when Collins muffed a throw from Lord, allowing Birmingham to score from first. The final count was 8 to 7. Score:

Chicago, AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
McInnis, 1b.	4	1	1	1	0
Walters, 2b.	4	1	1	1	0
Walters, 2b.	4	1	1	1	0
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Walters, 2b.	4	1	1	1	0
Totals	34	8	13	13	0

### ANNIVERSARY DATA.

Guess we needn't pay any attention to the dope, this final day of June, which has never been kind to us in the way of precedents. Looking at four out of five in three days, two out of three from the world's champions, the happy hammer-smiths have a kick coming at the result of the arduous chorus, which evidently awakened our napping Nationals and bade them take notice that any old thing will not do for Washington.

Had not our brave boys won yesterday's game this dolorous dope would not have been printed. As it is, guess our rejuvenated reliables will break another precedent to-day, despite peevish umps and a succession of bad breaks.

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