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Nationals Break Even With Boston Red Sox

Groom Wins His Game, but Walter Johnson Loses the Second Battle, the Final Scores Being 3 to 2 and 3 to 0.

By WILLIAM PEET.

Griff's Climbers buried the double-header jinx here yesterday by spilling the Boston bean pot in the first combat of a dual bill, 3 to 2, in ten innings. There is a little consolation in this, for up to the present the Nationals have lost both ends of every double sketch staged.

The final battle yesterday went to the Red Sox via the shut-out route, for the reason that Boston hit Walter Johnson harder in spots than did the Nationals Joe Wood.

Walter Johnson got back into harness again after a two weeks' lay off. He showed no effects of his recent illness, holding the Boston sluggers to four hits and striking out ten.

Daredevil Dan Moeller opened the afternoon proceedings with a clean base knock, and then proceeded to throw his left shoulder out of whack. Curses on the luck! Dan will be idle now for a week; and just as it looked as if he had regained his batting eye, too.

Big Crowd on Hand.

Another capacity crowd turned out. According to the figures 13,516 persons parted with gate money. In addition to this enormous crowd, Frenchy was also there.

The opening struggle was one of those neck and neck affairs. Buck O'Brien and Bob Groom were the sharpshooters. O'Brien gave out eight bases on balls. Groom was hit hard in the first frame, but after that Boston could not touch him. The Nationals came through with one of their old-time garrison finishes, landing the game in the tenth inning when "Kid" Foster drove the ball to left field and Walker scored from first base on the smash.

There was little excitement in the final game. Airtight pitching and few menon the bases made the affair uninteresting. The Red Sox only connected safely against Johnson four times, but they made two of these swats count. On the other hand Joe Wood was the toughest kind of a proposition. Three measly hits was the Nationals' portion against the young flinger. Only once did a member of the home gang get to third base, and but one National saw second during the nine frames.

THE OPENING FRACAS.

It looked as if Bob Groom had been launched upon stormy waters when the first game opened, for after Hooper had been retired, Yerkes tripled to right, and Speaker doubled to left, scoring Yerkes. Lewis hoisted to Shanks, but Gardner singled over McBride's head, and Speaker bolted home. Morgan and Gandil retired Bradley, and this represented all Boston could do in the run department while Lanky Bob Groom was on the mound, although Sir Robert was in a number of tight places on account of leaks in the home defense.

The Nationals got one of these runs back in their half of the first when Moeller led off with a single, and reached third on a poor throw by O'Brien when the Red Sox pitcher tried to catch Danny napping. Moeller threw his arm out of place sliding back to the bag, but ran all the way to third, while holding on to the injured member with his right hand. Clarence Walker was ordered to run for Moeller and Walker scored when Milan forced Foster at second, after the last named had reached first base by virtue of a free ticket.

The monster crowd had a chance to cut loose with some old fashioned rooting when Griff's Climbers tied the score in the sixth. Bob Groom struck out, but Walker singled, and Foster planted a safe blow in left. Milan crashed to right, scoring Walker, and the Nationals were on even terms with the enemy.

These three bingles off O'Brien in a row, proved the last display of fireworks by the Nationals until the tenth, when the game was won. Clarence Walker started the tenth by drawing a walk. Buzz Foster lashed a single over Gardner's head. Lewis came in after the ball on the dead run, stuck down one hand to scoop it up, and missed fire, the ball rolling to the bleachers, Walker romped home with the winning tally.

The Score.

WASHINGTON.	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Moeller, rf	1	0	1	0	0	0
Walker, rf	2	3	1	1	0	0
Foster, 3b	4	0	2	2	1	0
Milan, cf	3	0	2	2	0	0
Gandil, 1b	4	0	0	9	0	0
Shanks, lf	2	0	0	6	0	0
Morgan, 2b	3	0	0	1	2	1
Schaefer, 2b	1	0	0	0	1	0
McBride, ss	4	0	0	3	2	1
Henry, c	2	0	0	6	2	0
Groom, p	4	0	0	0	1	1
Totals	30	3	6	30	10	3

BOSTON.	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Hooper, rf	5	0	0	1	0	0
Yerkes, 2b	4	1	2	2	1	0
Speaker, cf	5	1	1	7	1	0
Lewis, lf	4	0	1	4	1	1
Gardner, 3b	4	0	1	0	1	0
Bradley, 1b	3	0	0	5	0	0
Wagner, ss	4	0	0	4	2	0
Carrigan, c	4	0	1	3	2	0
O'Brien, p	4	0	1	1	3	1
Totals	37	2	7	*27	12	2

*Nobody out when winning run scored.

Washington	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1—3
Boston	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—2

Two-base hit—Speaker. Three-base hit—Yerkes. Stolen bases—Henry, Walker. Double play—Lewis to Wagner. Left on bases—Washington, 8; Boston, 8. First base on balls—Off O'Brien, 8; off Groom, 3. First base on errors—Boston, 2. Struck out—By C'Brien, 2; by Groom, 4. Umpires—Messrs. Evans and Westervelt. Time of game—2 hours and 10 minutes.

THE SECOND COMBAT.

A rumbling roar shook the concrete coliseum to its foundations as the great Walter Johnson emerged from the dug out to warm up, preparatory to pitching the second game. Johnson did not appear to be off color, although he looked as if he had lost a little weight from his recent illness.

Joe Wood, the Red Sox winning twirler, was matched against Johnson, which indicated that Jake Stahl was prepared to do battle from start to finish.

Johnson mixed up slow ones with his terrific speed, used his curve ball occasionally, and the first twelve men who faced him went back to the bench as fast as they came up. It was not until the fifth that a safe hit was registered off Johnson, and this swat produced a run. Lewis opened the fifth by striking out. Gardner sent a low liner at the feet of Clarence Walker, and Clarence let the ball shoot through his props. The ball rolled to the fence and by dint of speedy base running Gardner reached the plate, as Walker's relay to McBride was poor and Foster, who got the ball, had to hustle to get the ball to Ainsmith, so his pag was not as accurate as it might have been.

Walter Johnson himself was responsible for one of the Red Sox' two tallies in the sixth, when he gave Cady, a weak hitter at the bat, a base on balls. Joe Wood struck out, but Hooper hit one through Kid Foster at a mile a minute clip. Yerkes skied to Milan, but Tris Speaker connected for one of his old-time wallops, a sizzling three-bagger between Milan and Shanks, scoring Cady and Hooper. Lewis made the third out, a hoist which Milan gathered in after a lively sprint.

During the remainder of the game Johnson only yielded one hit, a single by Speaker in the ninth.

The only two chances Griff's Climbers had to score were in the third, when Johnson doubled over Hooper's head after two had been retired, and in the fifth when McBride singled with a couple of blokes out of the way, and took third on a passed ball. The old timely hot stuff was missing in both instances. Score:

The Score.

WASHINGTON.	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Walker, rf	4	0	0	0	0	1
Foster, 3b	2	0	0	0	3	0
Milan, cf	4	0	1	2	1	0
Gandil, 1b	4	0	0	9	0	0
Shanks, lf	3	0	0	1	0	0
Schaefer, 2b	2	0	0	1	1	0
McBride, ss	3	0	1	2	2	0
Ainsmith, c	3	0	0	12	0	0
Johnson, p	3	0	1	0	1	0
Totals	30	0	3	27	8	1

BOSTON.	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Hooper, rf	4	1	1	1	0	0
Yerkes, 2b	4	0	0	0	3	0
Speaker, cf	4	0	2	2	0	0
Lewis, lf	4	0	0	2	0	0
Gardner, 3b	4	1	1	0	1	0
Bradley, 1b	2	0	0	9	4	0
Wagner, ss	2	0	0	2	1	0
Cady, c	2	1	0	8	1	0
Wood, p	3	0	0	3	2	0
Totals	30	3	4	27	12	0

Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0
Boston	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	3—2

Earned runs—Boston, 1. Left on bases—Washington, 4; Boston, 2. First base on balls—Off Johnson, 2. Struck out—By Johnson, 10; by Wood, 8. Three-base hit—Speaker. Two-base hit—Johnson. Passed ball—Cady. Umpires Messrs. Westervelt and Evans. Time of game—1 hour and 45 minutes.

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NOTES OF THE CLIMBERS

FIRST GAME.

In the first inning Howard Shanks pulled a great running catch of a fly from Harry Hooper's bat.

Three hits, a triple, a double, and a single, were carrolled off Groom's delivery in the first session.

Groom fanned Larry Gardner in the fourth, recording his first strike-out of the game. Hugh Bradley duplicated Gardner's trick in the same chapter.

Milan attempted to steal second in the opening round, but Wagner had Carrigan's throw in his mitt and the Tennessee Flyer was blocked.

"Zeb" Milan was there with the spectacular play in the second, when he made a pretty catch of Wagner's skyscraper.

McBride was applauded when he came to bat in the second. Capt. Mac's effort was a fly to Lewis.

Jake Stahl was out of the game. Bradley playing first, because of the manager's illness.

"Buzz" Foster made a neat running catch of Speaker's foul fly in the third.

The crowd was almost as large as the audience which greeted the home folk on their triumphant return home Tuesday one week ago.

Shanks contributed a pretty catch in the fifth when he captured Hooper's liner, after a twelve-yard run.

Clarence Walker is popular with the fans. This was shown by the ovation given him when he came to bat in the third inning.

"Jawn" Henry was the recipient of the third pass issued by O'Brein.

Speaker robbed Walker of a clean single in "Red's" first time at bat. The fleet-footed guardian pulling a grandstand catch, for which he was applauded.

On his first trip to the plate, Moeller singled to center. The former Rochester star threw his left shoulder out of place sliding back to first, when O'Brien threw to Bradley to get the right gardener napping.

Howard Shanks, who cavorts around in our left pasture, saved the day in the seventh, when, with two on and two hands down, he caught Yerkes' offering.

Still another spectacular catch, that made by Lewis off Henry's bat in the seventh.

Shanks' fifth put-out was a catch off the stands of Speaker's high fly.

B. Arnold Gandil captured Gardner's offering, a fly on the foul line, after running back in the right garden in the eighth session.

The first stolen base of the fray came in the eighth, when Red Walker slid safely into the midway.

Schaefer replaced Morgan at second in the ninth.

Henry was walked purposely by O'Brien in the ninth, the red stocking twirler feeding the collegian four wide ones.

Walker made a great try after Yerkes' liner in the tenth, but lost his balance and fell after snagging the pill.

Clarence Walker scored all three of the Nationals' tallies.

Seven put-outs and an assist for Speaker. Some record, eh?

All of the hits came from the upper end of the batting order. Moeller, C. Walker, Foster, and Milan being the donors.

It pleases us to see Foster hit in form once again. Average of .500 for the first contest.

Shanks took care of six chances in the outfield, all save one being hard ones.

Eight batters were passed by O'Brien.

O'Brien was pretty lucky in not having more than six safeties chalked up against him, as every one of the home folk hit the ball hard, but not out of the reach of the fielders.

SECOND GAME.

When E. Lawrence Philips announced the Washington battery, Johnson and Ainsmith, a shout that could be heard for blocks went up.

Hooper was the first victim of Johnson's slants, whiffing at three.

"Buzz" Foster was the hero in the third inning. He made a quick scoop and peg on Wagner and knocked down Cady's offering along the foul line with one hand and threw him out at first.

Only nine men faced Wonderful Walter in the first three frames.

Johnson was the first National to get on, hitting for a two-baser in the third. The ball bumped up against the right field fence.

FINLAND SAILS

For Stockholm Carrying Majority of Olympic Athletes.

Antwerp, June 26.—The liner Finland, bearing the most of the American team which will represent the Stars and Stripes in the International Olympic games at Stockholm, sailed for Sweden to-day. Before the ship sailed the athletes had a work-out on the Kiel polo field. Some of the members of the team had left for Stockholm by rail before the ship started. Mike Ryan, the Marathon runner, who sprained his ankle, has taken a turn for the better, and will be able to compete at Stockholm.

Gaithersburg Red Sox Win.

Gaithersburg, June 26.—The Gaithersburg Red Sox had no difficulty in defeating the Gaithersburg White Sox, 8 to 1. Virts, pitching for the winners, allowed but two hits in five innings. Score:

								R.	H.	E.
Gaithersburg Red Sox	2	1	0	2	1	—	5	8	0	
Gaithersburg White Sox	1	0	0	0	0	—	1	2	0	

Batteries—Virts and Phebus; Plummer and Mom. Umpire—Dr. Bates Etchison.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Washington, 3; Boston, 2.
Boston, 3; Washington, 0.
New York, 6; Philadelphia, 3.
Philadelphia, 11; New York, 1.
Detroit, 4; Cleveland, 1.
Chicago, 7; St. Louis, 0.

GAMES TO-DAY.

Boston at Washington.
New York at Philadelphia.
Detroit at Cleveland.
St. Louis at Chicago.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	—To-day— Win.	Lose.
Boston	42	20	.677	.685	.667
Chicago	37	26	.587	.594	.576
WASHINGTON	37	27	.578	.585	.569
Philadelphia	34	25	.576	.583	.567
Cleveland	32	31	.473	.483	.467
Detroit	30	34	.469	.477	.462
New York	18	38	.321	.333	.316
St. Louis	17	42	.288	.300	.263

STANDING OF THE CLUBS JUNE 27, 1912.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Detroit	43	20	.683
Philadelphia	39	20	.661
New York	34	24	.586
Chicago	39	25	.549
Boston	32	29	.525
Cleveland	37	37	.422
WASHINGTON	29	41	.326
St. Louis	16	45	.262

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

New York, 3; Philadelphia, 2.
Boston, 8; Brooklyn, 2.
Chicago, 2; Cincinnati, 0.
Pittsburg, 4; St. Louis, 3.

GAMES TO-DAY.

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

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	—To-day— Win.	Lose.
New York	46	11	.807	.810	.795
Pittsburg	34	24	.586	.593	.576
Chicago	32	24	.571	.579	.561
Cincinnati	34	29	.540	.547	.531
Philadelphia	23	31	.494	.415	.398
Brooklyn	22	33	.400	.411	.390
St. Louis	25	40	.385	.394	.379
Boston	20	42	.323	.333	.317

NAPS WALLOPED BY DETROIT TIGERS

Three of Gene Krapp's Passes Are Converted Into Runs—Final Count Is 4 to 1.

Cleveland, June 26.—Detroit beat the Naps to-day, 4 to 1. Three of Gene Krapp's passes were converted into runs by the Tigers, and that tells the story of the Naps undoing. Crawford, with a single and triple drove in these three runs, while Stanage's sacrifice fly was responsible for the other count. Score:

Cl'and.	AB	H	O	A	E	Detroit.	AB	H	O	A	E
Graney, lf	5	1	3	0	0	Vitt, rf	3	0	1	0	0
Gisolt, ss	5	1	1	3	0	Jones, ss	3	0	0	7	0
Jackson, rf	3	2	0	0	0	Cobb, lf	2	1	4	0	0
Lajoie, 2b	4	1	1	5	0	Crawford, cf	4	2	1	0	0
Griggs, 1b	4	0	14	0	0*	Gainor, 1b	4	0	15	0	0
Lunham, cf	4	0	0	0	0	Moriarty, 3b	3	2	0	1	0
Turner, 3b	3	1	0	3	0	Loudon, 2b	3	0	2	4	0
O'Neill, c	3	0	5	0	1	Stanage, c	3	0	4	1	0
Krapp, p	2	1	2	2	0	Lake, p	4	0	0	3	0
Easterly*	1	1	0	0	0						
Rjasf†	1	0	0	0	0						
Totals	34	8	27	15	1	Totals	28	5	27	16	0

*Batted for O'Neill in ninth.
†Batted for Krapp in ninth.

Cleveland	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0—1
Detroit	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0—4

Runs—Jackson, Bush, Cobb (2), Moriarty. Two-base hits—Lajoie, Turner, Jackson. Sacrifice hits—Loudon, Krapp. Sacrifice fly—Stanage. Stolen bases—Moriarty (2). Bases on balls—Off Krapp, 5; off Lake, 2. Hit by pitcher—By Lake, 1; by Krapp, 1. Left on bases—Cleveland, 10; Detroit, 5. Struck out—By Krapp, 5; by Lake, 3. Double play—Lajoie to Griggs. Umpires—Messrs. Dineen and Sheridan. Time of game—1 hour and 45 minutes.

ATHLETICS SPLIT EVEN WITH YANKS

New Yorkers Capture First Fray, 6 to 5, but Play Like Sandlotters in Second.

Philadelphia, June 26.—The Yanks lowered the colors of the Athletics in the first game of a double header, 6 to 5, and took a terrific drubbing in the second, 11 to 1. Quinn and Thompson pitched amateurish ball in the second contest, and received the same kind of support. Scores:

New Y'k.	AB	H	O	A	E	Phila.	AB	H	O	A	E
Maloney, cf	5	2	3	0	1	Lord, rf	3	1	1	0	1
Martin, ss	5	1	0	2	0	Oldring, cf	5	1	2	0	0
Chase, 1b	3	0	10	1	0	Collins, 2b	5	1	2	2	0
Cree, lf	4	2	1	0	0	Baker, 3b	3	1	1	3	0
Simmons, 2b	4	1	1	3	1	Strunk, lf	5	2	4	0	0
Zinn, rf	4	1	0	0	0	McInnis, 1b	5	2	11	0	0
Hartzell, 3b	4	1	0	2	1	Derrick, ss	5	2	1	4	1
Sweeney, c	4	2	3	3	0	Egan, c	3	0	1	1	1
Quinn, p	0	0	0	0	0	Thomas, c	1	0	3	0	0
Thompson, p	2	0	0	1	0	Plank, p	1	0	1	2	0
McConnell*	1	1	0	0	0	Bender, p	2	0	1	2	0
						Lapp†	1	1	0	0	0
						Coombs‡	1	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	8	24	19	5	Totals	39	11	26	16	2

*Batted for Thompson in ninth.
†Batted for Plank in sixth.
‡Batted for Plank in sixth.

New York	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	0	1	6
Philadelphia	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	5

Runs—Cree (2), Simmons, Hartzell, Sweeney (2), Lord, Baker, McInnis, Derrick, Lapp. Two-base hits—Collins, Cree, Maloney, Baker, Lapp, Sweeney. Three-base hits—Cree, Hartzell. Sacrifice hits—Oldring, Fisher, Zinn, Lord. Stolen bases—Martin, McInnis, Strunk. Double play—Plank to Derrick. Left on bases—Philadelphia, 10; New York, 6. Bases on balls—Off Plank, 1; off Fisher, 2; off Warhop, 1. Struck out—By Plank, 1; by Bender, 1; by Fisher, 3; by Warhop, 1. Passed ball—Sweeney. Wild pitch—Fisher. Umpires—Messrs. O'Loughlin and Egan. Attendance—3,000.

SECOND GAME.

New Y'k	AB	H	O	A	E	Phila.	AB	H	O	A	E
Maloney, cf	4	0	2	0	0	Lord, rf	4	2	2	0	0
Martin, ss	4	1	3	4	2	Oldring, cf	1	1	0	0	0
Chase, 1b	4	2	6	1	0	Collins, 2b	4	3	2	1	0
Cree, lf	3	0	4	1	0	Baker, 3b	4	3	2	1	0
Simmons, 2b	2	0	0	1	0	Strunk, lf	3	0	5	1	0
Sweeney, 3b	2	0	1	4	1	McInnis, 1b	4	1	8	0	0
Zinn, rf	4	2	3	0	0	Derrick, ss	4	2	1	3	0
Hartzell, 3b	4	0	1	4	1	Lapp, c	3	1	7	0	0
Sweeney, c	4	2	1	3	0	Coombs, p	4	2	0	2	0
Quinn, p	0	0	0	0	0						
Thompson, p	2	0	0	1	0						
McConnell*	1	1	0	0	0						
Totals	35	8	24	19	5	Totals	34	15	27	9	2

*Batted for Thompson in ninth.

New York	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—	1
Philadelphia	0	5	0	2	1	0	1	2	x	—	11

Runs—Sweeney, Lord (2), Oldring (2), Collins (2), Baker, Derrick (2), Lapp, Coombs. Two-base hits—Martin, Coombs, McConnell. Three-base hits—Lord, Collins, Baker. Sacrifice hits—Oldring, Collins. Stolen bases—Oldring (2), Strunk. Pitchers' record—Off Quinn, 4 hits and 10 times at bat in 1 1-3 innings; off Thompson, 10 hits and 24 times at bat in 7 2-3 innings. Left on bases—New York, 11; Philadelphia, 8. First base on balls—Off Quinn, 2; off Thompson, 3; off Coombs, 3. First base on errors—New York, 1; Philadelphia, 1. Struck out—By Coombs, 3. Hit by pitched ball—By Coombs, Cree; by Thompson, Baker, McInnis. Wild pitch—Thompson. Umpires—Messrs. Egan and O'Loughlin. Time of game—1 hour and 45 minutes.

BROWNS SHUT OUT.

Benz Twirls in Fine Form for Chicago—Score 7 to 0.

Chicago, June 26.—Benz blanked the St. Louis Browns to-day, 7 to 0. Benz allowed six hits, passed two, and made a wild pitch, but did not permit the Browns to bunch safeties in any one round. Alison did well until the eighth, when the Sox swatted him for four runs. Score:

Chicago.	AB	H	O	A	E	St. Louis.	AB	H	O	A	E
Rath, 2b	4	1	6	1	0	Shotten, cf	4	0	2	0	0
Lord, 3b	4	1	2	2	0	Compton, rf	4	0	1	0	0
Callahan, lf	4	0	2	0	0	Stovall, lb	3	3	18	0	0
Collins, rf	4	2	2	0	0	Pratt, 2b	4	0	0	3	0
Bodie, cf	3	2	2	0	0	Hogan, lf	3	0	1	0	0
Zeider, 1b	4	0	9	0	0	Kutina*	1	0	0	0	0
Weaver, ss	4	0	2	3	0	Austin, 3b	4	1	1	3	0
Kuhn, c	4	0	4	1	0	Wallace, ss	4	0	0	3	1
Benz, p	2	1	0	4	0	Stephens, c	3	1	1	1	1
						Allison, p	2	1	0	1	0
Totals	33	10	27	11	0	Totals	32	6	24	16	2

*Batted for Hogan in ninth.

Chicago	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	4	x	—	7
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	0

Runs—Rath, Lord, Collins (2), Bodie (2), Benz. Two-base hits—Stovall, Lord. Three-base hits—Zeider, Benz, Callahan, Stephens, Collins. Sacrifice hit—Benz. Stolen bases—Collins, Bodie, Zeider. Double play—Stovall, unassisted. First base on balls—Off Benz, 2; off Allison, 1. Struck out—By Benz, 4; by Allison, 1. Balk—Allison. Wild pitch—Benz. Umpires—Messrs. Hart and Connolly. Time of game—1 hour and 28 minutes.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE.

Rochester, 0; Newark, 2.
Montreal, 6; Jersey City, 7.
Buffalo, 7; Baltimore, 1. Second game: Buffalo, 1; Baltimore, 6.
Toronto, 12; Providence, 6. Second game: Toronto, 7; Providence, 2.

TWO OF NATIONALS OUT OF THE GAME DUE TO INJURIES

Moeller and Morgan Forced to Quit—Winning Combination Is Broken.

OTHER NOTES AND COMMENT

Manager Griffith has at last been forced to break up his winning combination on account of injuries. The Nationals have been unusually lucky this season in this respect, very few injuries having hit the team, but Ray Morgan, the youthful second sacker, is on the bench because of a charley-horse, and Dan Moeller, who threw his left arm out of joint yesterday, will probably remain idle for a week.

In the meanwhile, Germany Schaefer is slated to hold down the role of second sacker and Red Walker will play right field, so the club is not weakened perceptably, for neither Moeller or Morgan, both of whom have been in a hitting slump hte past week, have been of much use to the Nationals, and Griff is indeed fortunate in having players of the caliber of Schaefer and Walker who can jump into the game at a moment's notice and give a good account of themselves.

Moeller's injury yesterday was most unfortunate. Danny threw this pesky bone out of joint in New York last month and was lost to the club for a week. When he could resume his place in the line-up he wore the shoulder brace prescribed for by Dr. Larkin, the club physician, and since that time has had no trouble. The old braces was about worn out, and Dr. Larkin is having a new one made for Moeller, so Danny decided yesterday that he would play without the bandage, figuring that he would get through the game all right and that when the new armor arrived all would be well.

The accident happened in the first inning, the bone snapping out of its socket while Moeller was attempting to get back to first base. Pitcher O'Brien's throw was wild, and oMeller held the injured arm close to his right hand and in this manner sprinted around to third. Moeller must have suffered intense pain, and deserves a whole lot of credit for this display of nerve.

Sporting Editor Washington Herald: To settle a dispute, will you please inform me who pitched the second game of the double-header last summer when "Buck" Becker made his debut and defeated Chicago? Hoping to see the answer in the columns of your valued paper, I remain, very sincerely,
THIRTY-THIRD DEGREE FAN.

Answer—Cashion pitched and won the second game.

Ray Morgan pulled a "charley horse" in Philadelphia last Friday and has not been able to put forth his best efforts since. The youngster needs a rest, and will doubtless warm the bench for at least a week, or until he is in shape to play.

This is also unfortunate, for Morgan has never been given a chance to show Capital fans that he is a real major league ball player. Morgan's work during the recent Western invasion was sensational in the extreme and at one time he was hitting the ball as hard as Ty Cobb or Joe Jackson.

Morgan's fielding is gradually improving, and before the season closes he bids fair to be one of the best infielders in the Ban Johnson circuit.

The Boston Red Sox play the final game of the series here this afternoon. Tom Hughes will pitch for Griff's Climbers, while either Charley Hall or Ray Collins will toe the slab for the visitors.

Bob Groom's exhibition yesterday stamps him as one of the best pitchers in the American League. By winning his game he continues to be Griff's best performer next to Walter Johnson. Sir Robert has not lost a game since May 29, when this same Boston club knocked him out of the box in the Hub. Groom has vanquished St. Louis, Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, and the Athletics twice, besides acting as relief flinger on two occasions and making good.

Hats off to Bob Groom, boys. All the world loves a winner, and you've got to hand it to the guy who delivers the goods.

Grand stand fans yesterday, in discussing the second game, were prone to charge Eddie Foster with an error in the sixth inning, when Hooper's vicious grounder hopped through the midget's legs and skipped into left field. The ball was hit so hard that Foster could not get his hands down to it. Why should a player be charged with an error when he does not touch the ball? Think it over, fans. No fair-minded critic could give a fielder an error on that play.

Although Walter Johnson was beaten yesterday, he demonstrated that he is ready to take his turn in the bog, and this fact alone means a whole lot to the Nationals. Johnson pitched just as good ball as Joe Wood, but Boston was favored with the lucky breaks.

The old batting slump hoodoo still lingers in our midst, although the Nationals are hitting the ball harder every day. It looks as if the club would shortly come back into its own.