Clarendon Nine Wins District-Virginia Title---Boxers Are Ready for Gong---Race Entries

SOX AND GIANTS EVENLY MATCHED

Both Pilots of Championship Clubs Will Depend on Left-handed Hurlers.

With nothing but a miracle to prevent the Giants and White Sox from meeting in the world series, the talk in baseball circles today is on the prospective winner of the stellar title. Dopesters naturally are figuring on the pitchers. They believe that McGraw will try to win with his southpaws. And he has three good ones in Sallee, Schupp, and Benton. Rowland, however, is not far behind the Giants' leader in this respect. The generalissimo of the White Sox also has three good port slingers in Russell, Williams, and Danforth.

The Giants' trio of left-handers have won 49 games and lost 19 thus far. The Chicago flingers have 42 victories and 17 defeats to their credit.

Of this sextet the leading honors go to Sallee and Russell. The former has won 18 of his 23 games; the latter 15 out of 19. Schupp has won 19 and lost 7, Benton won 12 and lost 7, Williams won 17 and lost 8, and Danforth won 10 and lost 5.

In the right-handers the White Sox have it over the Giants. McGraw has only one starboard flinger on whom he can rely—Poll Perritt. He has won 14 games and lost 7. Cicotte looms up as Rowland's "one best bet." He has been the best mainstay of the White Sox, having won 25 games and lost 12, and Chicago fans pin their hopes on him to "bring home the bacon."

The right-handed twirlers of the Sox have won 44 of their games against 25 defeats, while the Giants' right-handers have only turned in 44 victories to 37 defeats. Tesreau, Anderson, and Demaree have been big disappointments, they only winning 30 and losing the same amount. In Faber and Benz Rowland also has two good right-handers.

From a perusal of these figures it can be seen that McGraw must rely on his southpaws to win, as Perritt cannot pitch every game.

In the other end of the battery the White Sox have probably the best catch in either league—Ray Schalk. McGraw will have the use of McCarthy in the big series. The latter is not as good in the receiving as the Chicago mitt artist, but he more than overcomes this handicap with his stick work. The New Yorker is batting at an average of .290 while Schalk is only clouting at a .226 gait.

Taking up the infield each team has one of the strongest combinations to be found in baseball. The Giants' inner-sackers have been classed as the "$100,000 infield"—a sobriquet made famous in the heydey of the old Athletics. In batting the Giants' quartet are going at an average of .284, three points above the Sox experts. Holke, Fletcher and Zimmerman are hitting ahead of Gandil, Risberg and Weaver, while Herzog seems to be the only weak sticker in the outfit, he having averaged only .225 against Eddie Collins' .292.

In the outfield there is little to choose from a hitting standpoint. The Giants boast of two clouters over the .300 mark—Burns and Kauff. Felsch is the only White Sox hitting above the coveted mark. He is batting .308. Both Robertson and J. Collins are hitting close together, the former .262 and the latter .264. The outer garden experts as a team, are hitting at about the same average—.289.

Taking it as a whole the teams are pretty nearly evenly matched.

This week will see the last invasion of the East and West by the teams of the respective leagues. The Giants open today at Chicago with a lead of 11 1-2 games, having gained 1 1-2 games on the Phillies during the last seven days. The White Sox will begin the week with a lead of 7 1-2 games, having increased their advantage one game over the Red Sox during the week.

The Giants will play the Cubs and Pirates during the week, with the Phillies combatting with the Reds and Cubs.

The White Sox will clash with the Athletics while the Red Sox will play the Tigers. On Friday the two teams will start their final series.

The records of the teams during the week were:

National	Won	Lost
New York	7	3
Philadelphia	4	3
St. Louis	4	3
Chicago	4	1
Cincinnati	2	4
Brooklyn	3	5
Boston	3	6
Pittsburgh	3	4
American	**Won**	**Lost**
Chicago	3	1
Boston	3	3
Cleveland	4	2
Detroit	3	5
New York	5	3
Washington	5	2
St. Louis	1	3
Philadelphia	2	7

WAR HITS "PRO" FOOTBALL TOO

New York, Sept. 16.—Professional football flourishes in Ohio and Indiana, and the interest is so intense that the Carlton and Massilon elevens, the latter headed by Jim Thorpe, will play a game at the Polo Grounds in New York late in November, just to show New York what professional football is like.

But as is the case with college football, the professional game is feeling the effects of the war, and Fort Wayne for one will not have a team this year. This fact was made clear recently when the manager of the Hammond, Ind., eleven wrote to Fort Wayne asking for an early date in the Fort Wayne schedule. The elaborate preparations for a big season received a rude setback when the import of the following reply from Fort Wayne was driven home:

"We feel honored to think you want to play your first game with us, but nearly all of our team has gone to war. We suggest that if Hammond has any men able bodied enough to play football they enlist in the service of the army or the navy."

COAST ORGANIZING BIG HOCKEY LEAGUE

New York, Sept. 16.—San Francisco, Los Angeles, Spokane, Portland and Seattle will be represented in a five-team ice hockey league, which will include in its talent the best professional players on the Pacific Coast, if present plans mature.

The league, according to plans which are now being made, will be known as the Western Ice Hockey League, and the season will run about two months. It is planned to send the champions East for a series in New York.

Grid Star in Air Corps.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—Charles W. ("Chick") Harley, all-American full back, said today he probably would not return to Ohio State University this fall as he had applied for admission to the Aviation Corps. The 21-year-old football star was rejected for the second officers' training camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison because of his age.

TONIGHT'S BOXING CARD.

Main bout—Sam Langford, of Boston, vs. Andrew Johnson, of New York, heavyweights, fifteen rounds to a decision.

Semiwindup — Bert Green, of Washington, vs. Karl Herz, of Boston, welterweights, six rounds to a decision.

Four-round special—Kid Lee, of Baltimore, vs. Jimmy Johnson, of Norfolk, middleweights, four rounds to a decision.

Preliminary—Young Duvall, of Washington, vs. Frankie Baker, of Washington, featherweights, four rounds to a decision.

Curtain raiser — Roughhouse Spriggs, of Baltimore, vs. Young Shamrock, of Washington, catch weight, four rounds to a decision.

Battle royal—Between mitt gladiators of Baltimore and Washington, four rounds or less to a decision.

Referees. Main bout—P. F. O'Connor. Other bouts — Harry Hoffman. Battle royal will open bill promptly at 8:30.

WAR WILL KILL OFF MANY MINOR CLUBS

Few, if Any, Leagues Will Be in Operation During 1918 Season.

By JOHN H. FARRELL, Secretary of the National Association of Professional Baseball Clubs.

Auburn, N. Y., Sept. 16.—The minor leagues this year have experienced the toughest sledding they have seen for twenty years at least.

The declaration of war and the promulgation of the rules and regulations governing the drafting for the army have almost completely occupied the attention of the public, especially in the smaller cities.

The loyal minor leaguers stood the strain as long as they possibly could. When they reached the breaking point they confidently looked to the national board, which is the minor league governing body, for relief and help from a condition that had not existed before for fifty years. In all, some twelve leagues applied for relief from the burden, after making great financial sacrifices.

After due consideration the board directed a ruling which has brought about peace of mind among minor league club owners to a great extent, for through this ruling territory and the title to players has been protected.

The board felt that a crisis entirely beyond the control of any human being existed; that the situation was not of the making of the club owners, due to extravagant operations or any other cause, and that the request of several leagues had a genuine basis. All were more than eager to preserve their organizations, and the board, as the father of the family, was their natural haven in distress.

With the ruling which protects players and territory until such time as the national board may see fit to maks further rulings or the war comes to an end, the temper of the minor leagues is now reconciled in so far as possible to conditions.

The hands of the minor leagues are virtually tied by conditions they cannot control, and for this reason it is more than probable that 1918 will see but few, if any, minor leagues in operation. It is to be hoped and expected that the leagues will exhaust every possible effort before giving up the struggle, yet it is the consensus of opinion that should the war continue minor leagues in general should suspend operations for that period.

It is believed that the rest given minor league territory would bring minor league baseball back with a bang the following year. The club owners and board members feel that the players, fully realizing the unusual conditions caused by the war, will glady and willingly co-operate, thus retaining local league organizations and thereby guaranteeing employment for thousands of players in the future.

There is no way of computing the actual losses of the minor leagues due to the war. That they have been tremendous is a certainty, for with patronage threadbare and many players taken in the draft, the minor league magnates have been buffeted about on the stormiest financial sea which they have ever attempted to sail. That a few of the minors finished the season is a big tribute to the stability of the National Association, for those who went through did so only by shouldering losses in the aggregate, and few club owners will be able to show profits.

GOODWIN IN FORM AND CARDINALS LAND

Chicago, Sept. 16.—Good pitching by Goodwin enabled the Cardinals to beat the Cubs today, 6 to 0. The score by innings:

		R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	0 0 0 2 0 2 0 1 1	6	9	0
Chicago	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	3	4

Batteries—Goodwin and Snyder; Vaughn and Dilhoefer. Umpires—Messrs. O'Day and Harrison.

DOBIE'S UNUSUAL RECORD AS COACH

Annapolis, Md., Sept. 16.—Gilmour Dobie, the new coach of the Naval Academy football team, has a record unique in sporting annals. Dobie has been coaching football teams for fourteen years, and he has yet to see one of his elevens defeated. In all, Dobie's teams have played ninety-seven games of which they have won ninety-three and tied four. In this period his elevens have scored a total of 3,495, or an average of slightly more than 36 points a game, while the total number of points made by his opponents is only 152. After two years at the University of Minnesota, Dobie went to the Minneapolis High School for one season and then went to the University of South Dakota for two years. In 1908 he went to the University of Washington and was in charge of football there until the close of the 1916 season, when he was removed by President Henry Suzzalo. He has a remarkable personality, is a strict disciplinarian and a football tactician of the first order.

LAFAYETTE TO PLAY ALL-AMERICAN TEAM

Easton, Pa., Sept. 16.—Among the thousands of college graduates now encamped as members of the American Ambulance Corps at Allentown are to be found sufficient football players who have attained "all-American" distinction to form a team. Arrangements have been made to organize such a team, and a game has been scheduled between Lafayette College and this first "all-American" football team that has ever actually been gathered together for a contest. The ambulance players will be led by De Hart and Hastings, of Pittsburgh.

The game will be played on March Field on October 13. On this date Lafayette was scheduled to play Princeton. Princeton will have no team this year, and the date remained open. Negotiations were opened with the authorities at the Allentown camp and an agreement between the college and the proposed "all-American" team has been made.

SAM LANGFORD AND JOHNSON AWAIT GONG

Thirty-seven Rounds of Boxing Is Carded at Ardmore Tonight.

Thirty-seven rounds of battling are on tap for local followers of the roped arena tonight at the Maryland Athletic and Social Club, of Ardmore, Md. Sam Langfold, the heavy-weight battler from Boston, is scheduled to meet Andrew Johnson, of New York, in the main go, which is carded for fifteen rounds to a decision. Bert Green, the local welter-weight, will try a come-back stunt against Karl Herz, of Boston, in the six-round semi-wind-up, while three four-rounders and a battle royal are also listed.

Langford, with his manager, Joe Woodman, arrived here yesterday morning. The Boston Tar Baby looks to be in the best of shape and claims that he will show the Capital City fans that he is in line for another bout with Fred Fulton. Fulton stopped Langford in their last bout, but Sam has been camping on his trail ever since, anxious for a return mill. Langford won from Joe Jeannette in an easy fashion on last Thursday night at Dayton, Ohio, and shows no signs of the milling. Langford is insisting upon getting a return go with Fulton and he claims that he will make fast work of Johnson in this mill.

Johnson is due to arrive here this morning. The New Yorker has been going at a great clip recently and the wise ones believe that he will force Langford to the limit. The preliminary card is better than usual, as it will bring together Young Duvall, of the Rosedale Club, and Frankie Baker. Duvall has been coming along at rapid speed, but he will be given a real test in meeting the punching powers of Frankie Baker. Roughhouse Spriggs, of Baltimore, is carded for a four-round set-to with Young Shamrock, of this city.

P. F. O'Connor will be the third man in the ring in the main go, while Harry Hoffman will handle the semi-wind-up, special and preliminaries.

The fighters' special will leave Fifteenth and H streets northeast at 7 o'clock. The regular local trains will leave the White House Station every fifteen minutes. At 8 o'clock the Ardmore special will pull out of the northeast station. Twelve coaches will be on this train, guaranteeing plenty of accommodations for the fans. The battle royal will start immediately upon the arrival of this special.

PIRATES DEFEATED IN DOUBLE-HEADER

Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 16.—The Pirates dropped a double bill here today, the Reds beating them by scores of 4 to 2 and 3 to 2. The scores by innings.

First game—		R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0	2	8	1
Cincinnati	2 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 x	4	6	2

Batteries—Steele and W. Wagner; Schneider and Smith. Umpires—Messrs. Quigley and Byron.

Second game—		R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0	2	9	1
Cincinnati	2 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 x	3	10	1

Batteries—Carlson and Fischer; Regan and Wingo. Umpires—Messrs. Byron and Quigley.

Braves' Rookie Drafted.

Boston, Sept. 16.—Henry Schreiber, an infielder, recently bought by the Boston Nationals from the Lawrence club of the Eastern League for $6,000, left here today for Cleveland, Ohio, under orders to report for duty at Chillicothe on Tuesday, with the Ohio drafted army. Schreiber played in the game with New York yesterday.

Noted Stallion Dead.

London, Sept. 16.—The well-known English stallion, Torpoint, owned by W. M. G. Singer, is dead. While at exercise at Manton the horse attempted to jump the rails, but fell and broke his neck. Torpoint was 17 years old and was sold at a yearling for $788.

Griff Denies Rumor that W. Johnson Will Be Sold

Baltimore's unpaid Federal League press agents are busy again.

These brilliant Monumental City scribes do not dare to sell the franchise of the Washington club again but they attempted one better this time, and that is the selling of Walter Perry Johnson, premier of all American League boxmen, and the mainstay of the local pitching staff.

"According to the best of authority," is the term used in the selling of the smokeball king to the Cleveland Indians. As these Federal press agents put it, the deal has been closed and will take effect after the end of this present playing season.

If these Federal League press agents had the power of selling Walter Johnson, they sure would put over their long standing deal of selling the Washington franchise but Johnson will not be sold to the Indians or any other American League club.

Manager Griffith, when interview on this subject last night, insisted that it was a rank falsehood, and that there was no foundation to the rumor. "Anything handed out by those back-biters over there in Baltimore, in reference to the Washington club or my players, is all false and not worthy of being published," said the Old Fox.

Best All-Round Display of World Series Baseball Belongs to Herzog

By GRANTLAND RICE.

They come and go—these world series—faster than one cares to think they do.

It doesn't seem that more than a very few years have passed since we saw Christy Mathewson shut out the Athletics for twenty-seven innings. But that was twelve campaigns ago, back in the fall of 1905, and of the young stars just entering baseball then only one or two remain.

We can recall no world series in the past that was not arrayed with any number of interesting incidents, here and there, but out of the lot there are four high spots which is some way seem to loom above the rest.

These four high spots embrace pitching, batting, the best individual play and the best all-around play for the entire series.

Pitching.

World series may go to indefinite lengths but no man can ever hope to live long enough to see Mathewson's work in 1905 surpassed, or even tied.

That three-game exhibition still remains as the top liner. It was not so much the fact that Matty worked twenty-seven runless innings—but rather the additional point that for those twenty-seven innings he held a hard hitting ball club so completely at his mercy that you couldn't figure how they could ever score, no matter how many games were played.

The Athletics were unable to get a rally started, much less under way.

The Batting Top.

Despite Frank Baker's two successive home runs against the Giants in 1911, the most effective batting that we recall witnessing belonged to Corporal Hank Gowdy, then the premier catcher of the Boston Braves.

This was the series where the Braves overwhelmed the Mackmen in 1914. In this four-game series Gowdy hit for .545, a record for complete play. In two of the games he was purposely passed so often that he had but little chance to show. But in two of the others he hit for a home run, two triples, three doubles and a single—six hits good for seventeen bases! That mark is another that will stand for a number of drifting years. Lank Hank was no mighty slugger through the year but upon that one week's occasion he arose to dizzy heights that no one has yet seen.

The One Star Play.

The greatest single play we ever saw in a world series developed in the final game of the 1912 series wherein the Red Sox finally overthrew the Giants.

Seven games had been played, with three victories for each and one draw. Mathewson was facing Bedlent at the time and in the fifth inning the Giants were leading, 1 to 0.

Coming up in this period Larry Doyle crashed into one of Bedient's curves for the mightiest wallop of the series. The drive started far out over Harry Hooper's head in right. The Red Sox star raced back until he came against the wire fence bordering the field of play.

As Hooper came within a stride of the fence he saw the ball was going to clear the barricade for a home run. He not only had to leap high for the catch, but the jump, as Speaker explains it, threw him out of position and he was forced to reach with his bare hand over the wire for the catch.

This play cost the Giants the series. "It was," says Tris Speaker who had run up to within a few yards of the catch, "the greatest single play I ever saw or ever hope to see. With Hooper thrown out of position at the time it was physically impossible for him to reach that ball. Yet he did. How I will never know. I've never seen an outfield catch before or after that even approached it."

And to add to its general effect it saved and won the longest world series ever played under the new order.

The Star All-Arounder.

The best all-around display of world series baseball that we have seen belongs to Charles Lincoln Herzog in the same Red Sox-Giant series.

On the offense in that same game Herzog had a batting average of .400. He scored six runs himself and drove in five more, being responsible for eleven runs.

On defense around third he accepted eleven put-outs and sixteen assists, twenty-seven chances without an error. Of these sixteen assists at least six were on the hardest variety of plays.

Some one else may have beaten this combination on attack and defense, but if so we don't recall the detail just now.

That was Herzog's last world series—up to the coming event. After a five-year lapse in which he has played third, short and second, he faces his next test at second base.

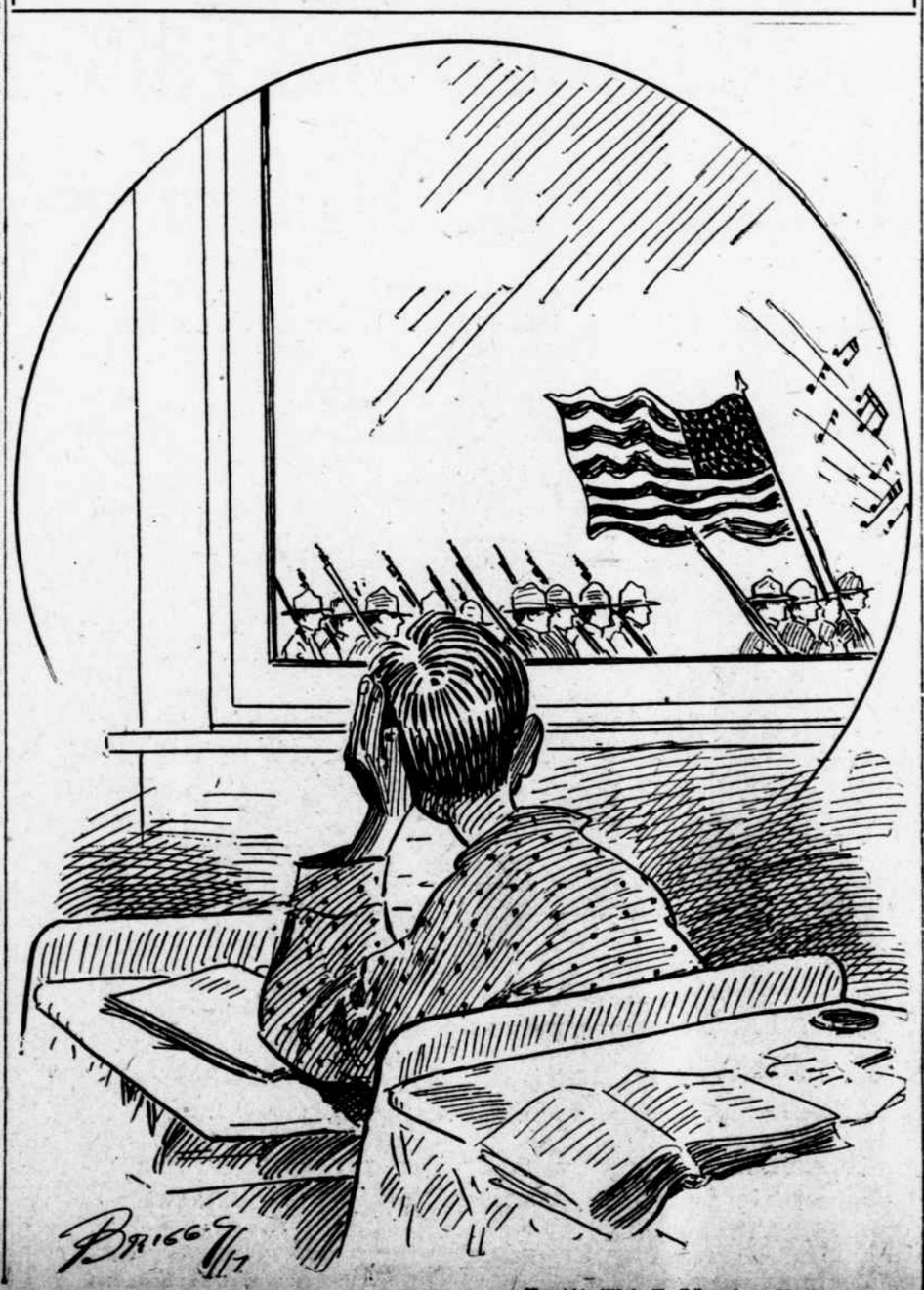
As a world series type he has few equals and no superiors as he has the knack of playing his best ball under the hardest and heaviest pressure.

As Eddie Collins is another such type—a fine money player—the duel between this pair will be one of the leading features along the line of march.

Named as Coach.

Hamilton, N. Y., Sept. 16.—Harry S. McDevitt, former Dartmouth football star, has been engaged to coach the Colgate University eleven this autumn. Ellery Huntington, who was named as coach last fall, is now a captain in the national army. Football practice will start September 24.

When a Feller Needs a Friend - - - By BRIGGS



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CLARENDON CLUBMEN WINNERS OF TITLE

County Association Nine Trims Rex A. C. in Final Game of Series.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Clarendon	6	1	.857
Rex A. C.	3	4	.429
Cardinals	3	4	.429
Athletics	2	5	.286

Yesterday's results—Clarendon, 7; Rex A. C., 2. Cardinals, 9; Athletics, 0. (Forfeited for nonappearance). Remaining games of schedule called off.

The Alexandria County Athletic Association nine, of Clarendon, Va., captured the independent championship of Northern Virginia and the District yesterday when they defeated the Rex Athletic Club, at Columbia Park, 7 to 2.

Braund, for the Rex clubmen, showed good form until the seventh inning, when his wildness proved costly to his club, as the Virginians rushed three tallies across the pan on a base on balls and four blows. Allie Watt sent through the bingles that tied the count in this session, while Degnan's double put Clarendon out in front.

The visitors went to Braund's delivery when he weakened in the ninth inning and registered a quartet of runs at the counting block.

On an infield error and Earl Steele's single the Rex scored in the first inning, while an error, a passed ball, followed by Steele's second blow, gave Rex its second tally.

Pfiel pitched a brilliant game over the entire route, as he set eight of the Rex clubmen down by the strike-out route and only issued two free passes to the initial sack.

The hitting of Dal Bolen and Johnny Stewart for the Virginians, and Earl Steele for Rex were easily the features of the game, although Koogle and O'Donnell contributed great running catches as the fielding features.

The committee in charge of the playing of the series for the independent championship have called off the two remaining games, as the Clarendon club is so far out in front that the games would have no bearing on deciding the title. The Athletics failed to put in an appearance for the game scheduled at Alexandria with the Cardinals. The score:

Clarendon.	AB	H	O	A	Rex A. C.	AB	H	O	A
Murphy,1b	4	0	10	0	Roche,3b	4	1	1	6
Stewart,3b	4	3	2	2	Koogle,lf	4	0	2	0
Bolen,cf	5	4	2	0	Fitzgerald,c	2	0	10	2
Watt,2b	3	1	2	2	Steele,cf	4	2	1	0
Degnan,c	3	1	9	1	Doleman,1b	3	0	11	1
Pfeil,p	4	1	0	4	Dyer,ss	4	0	1	3
O'Donnell,lf	4	0	1	0	Raba,rf	4	0	0	0
Newton,ss	4	1	0	2	Sweeney,2b	3	0	0	2
Tillett,rf	3	0	1	0	Braund,p	4	0	1	7
Totals	34	11	27	12	Totals	32	4	27	15

Clarendon	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4—7
Rex A. C.	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0—2

Runs—Roche, Fitzgerald, Stewart (2), Bolen (2), Degnan, Pfeil, Tillett. Errors—Murphy, Newton, Dyer, Braund. Left on bases—Rex, 7; Clarendon, 10. First base on balls—Off Braund, 8; off Pfeil, 2. Struck out—By Braund, 6; by Pfeil, 8. Two-base hits—Bolen, Degnan, Steele. Double plays—Watt to Murphy; Fitzgerald to Doleman; Braund to Fitzgerald to Doleman to Fitzgerald. Hit by pitcher—By Braund (Stewart), by Pfeil (Fitzgerald). Wild pitch—Braund. Passed balls—Fitzgerald, Degnan. Umpires—Messrs. Hurd and Von Herbulis. Time—1 hour and 45 minutes.

APPEAL IS MADE TO LOCAL MERCHANTS

The Columbia Country Club and Commercial Club, of Washington, have completed plans to collect moneys from its members to supply athletic goods to the selected men from the District who are at present scheduled to leave for Camp Meade the 20th of this month.

No baseball goods will be bought with this collection, for Clark Griffith's bat and ball fund will take care of this branch of sport. The new collection will furnish boxing gloves, footballs, and the like.

In the new movement Griff appeals to the various merchants of the city to donate to this fund for it is certainly a worthy cause in that it will alleviate the grind that each and everyone of the new national army must go through each day of camp life.

WHITE SOX CINCHED AMERICAN PENNANT

Chicago, Sept. 16.—The White Sox practically cinched the pennant here today, when they defeated the Browns, 4 to 3, in ten innings. This winds up the season for the Sox on their home grounds. The score:

St. Louis.	AB	H	O	A	Chicago.	AB	H	O	A
Shotton,lf	2	0	4	0	Leibold,rf	5	1	1	0
Austin,3b	3	0	0	3	McMullin,3b	4	1	0	3
Sloan,rf	4	0	2	1	E.Collins,2b	5	1	5	1
Pratt,1b	4	1	12	2	Jackson,lf	4	2	1	0
Severeid,c	3	1	5	0	Felsch,cf	3	0	4	0
Jacobson,cf	4	1	0	0	Gandil,1b	3	2	9	1
Gerber,2b	3	1	0	2	Risberg,ss	4	0	2	3
Lavan,ss	4	2	3	2	Schalk,c	3	2	8	5
Davenport,p	4	0	1	3	Williams,p	2	1	0	1
					Cicotte,p	1	0	0	0
					Murphy	1	0	0	0
Totals	31	6	*27	13	Totals	35	10	20	14

*None out when winning run scored.
Murphy batted for Williams in seventh.

St. Louis	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0—3
Chicago	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1—4

Runs—Severeid, Jacobson, Lavan, E. Collins, Jackson, Gandil, Murphy. Errors—Austin, Pratt, Lavan, McMullin, Williams. Two-base hits—Leibold, Lavan. Three-base hit—E. Collins. Sacrifice hits—Austin, Gerber. Stolen bases—Gerber, Jackson, Risberg, Schalk (2). Bases on balls—Off Williams, 3; off Davenport, 5. Struck out—By Williams, 3; by Davenport, 4. Double plays—E. Collins to Risberg to Gandil; Gandil (unassisted), Sloan to Pratt; Gerber to Lavan to Pratt; Pratt to Lavan. Passed ball—Severeid. Time—1:55. Umpires—Messrs. Hilderbrand and Dineen.

FULTON TO MEET WINNER OF BOUT

New York, Sept. 16.—Sam Langford and Harry Wills, the best of the colored heavy-weights, will renew their feud at the Clermont Sporting Club on Thursday night.

Matchmaker Silvey Burns has promised to match the winner with Fred Fulton.

The latter has declared he bars no heavy-weight in the game, and he must take on Langford or Willis in order to make good that assertion.

Red Sox Play Two More.

Chicago, Sept. 16.—The schedule of the Boston Americans was lengthened by two games last night, when President Johnson, of the American League, gave permission for the playing of two postponed games that it was thought would not be staged. One of these games was scheduled at Washington and the other at Detroit. By Johnson's permission they will be played at Boston on a date yet to be determined. The local Americans have 16 games to play.

MINOR LEAGUE RESULTS.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

Kansas City, 1; Indianapolis, 4.
Second game—Kansas City, 0; Indianapolis, 5.
Milwaukee, 1; Louisville, 4.
Wilwaukee, 10; Louisville, 8.
Minneapolis, 8; Columbus, 6.
Minneapolis, 3; Columbus, 10.

Yankees Sell Players.

Toledo, Sept. 16.—The purchase of Catcher Alexander and Infielder Baumann, of the New York Americans, was announced today by Roger Bresnahan, of the Toledo American Association club.

American League Statistics

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Cleveland, 8; Detroit, 4.
Chicago, 4; St. Louis, 3.

WHERE THEY PLAY.

Today.	Tomorrow.
Boston at N. Y.	St. L. at Wash.
	Detroit at Bos.
	Cleveland at N. Y.
	Chicago at Phila.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	94	48	.662	New York	66	72	.478
Boston	83	53	.610	Washington	65	71	.478
Cleveland	78	63	.553	St. Louis	57	90	.361
Detroit	70	72	.493	Athletics	49	88	.358

National League Statistics

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

St. Louis, 6; Chicago, 6.
Cincinnati, 4; Pittsburgh, 2.
Cincinnati, 3; Pittsburgh, 2.

WHERE THEY PLAY.

Today.	Tomorrow.
Boston at Pitts.	Boston at Pitts.
N. Y. at Chicago.	N. Y. at Chicago.
Phila. at Cincinnati.	Phila. at Cin.
	Brooklyn at St. L.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	W.	L.	Pct.		W.	L.	Pct.
New York	80	49	.615	Cincinnati	72	70	.507
Philadelphia	76	59	.563	Brooklyn	63	71	.470
St. Louis	76	66	.535	Boston	59	75	.440
Chicago	71	70	.503	Pittsburgh	46	92	.333

TURNER THE OLDEST PLAYER IN LEAGUE

Terry Only Veteran Left in Ban B. Johnson's Circuit.

New York, Sept. 16.—Since Eddie Plank, Sam Crawford and Nap Lajoie have been counted out of active competition in the American League the veteran class in that organization has simmered down to just a few players, none of whom has spent more than 13 years in the big show. Thirteen years is a lot of time, but, when considered alongside the records of Lajoie, Wagner and a few others of the like they fade away.

Not many persons would admit that Terry Turner, of the Cleveland Indians, is the oldest player in point of playing years now in the American League, but he is. Terry made his advent into the exclusive Johnson circuit in 1904, going from Columbus. For years he was a regular with the old Blues, sometimes as an outfielder and sometimes as an infielder. He never was a heavy hitter, but his record would make any ambitious youngster jealous. His best season with the bat was in 1912, when he hit .308.

Leaving Terry, it is discovered that Ty Cobb, Eddie Collins and Clyde Milan are the oldest players. Youngsters they are considered by a great many persons who see their activities on the field.

Cobb has been a member of Hugh Jennings' Detroit Tigers for twelve years. He never has played with another big league club. Collins has been a big leaguer eleven years. His activities have been confined to Philadelphia and Chicago.

Clyde Milan left Wichita, Kan., ten years ago to take up the business of baseball under Clark Griffith, and he has enjoyed a most brilliant career.

Other veterans still sojourning in the American League are Jack Barry, Downie Bush, Frank Baker and Tris Speaker.

Not one of those generally recognized in the records as old-timers is really considered in that light, and, with only one or two exceptions, it is probable the entire list will be there for years to come. Cobb particularly looks good for at least ten more years, if he continues to care for himself as in the past.

INDIANS TAKE FINAL GAME FROM TIGERS

Detroit, Sept. 16.—Today's game, which wound up the season here, was captured by the Indians, when they defeated the Tigers 8 to 4. The score:

Cleveland.	AB	H	O	A	Detroit.	AB	H	O	A
Graney,lf	4	1	4	0	Bush,ss	5	0	2	1
Chapman,ss	5	0	4	1	Veitt,3b	4	0	0	3
Speaker,cf	4	2	1	0	Cobb,cf	2	2	3	0
Roth,rf	5	1	4	0	Veach,lf	3	1	1	0
Harris,1b	4	0	7	0	Heilman,rf	4	2	3	0
Wambsganss,2b	3	1	1	1	Burns,1b	4	1	11	0
Evans,3b	3	2	1	2	Young,2b	3	0	2	4
O'Neill,c	3	1	5	2	Stanage,c	4	1	4	1
Bagby,p	4	1	0	2	Boland,p	1	0	0	1
					Ehmke,p	2	1	1	1
Totals	35	9	27	9	Crawford	1	0	0	0
					Harper	1	1	0	0
					Totals	35	10	27	11

Crawford batted for Young in ninth.
Harper batted for Ehmke in ninth.

Cleveland	0	1	0	4	0	2	0	1	0	—8
Detroit	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	—4

Runs—Speaker, Roth, Harris, Wambsganss (2), Evans (2), Bagby, Cobb, Veach, Heilman, Burns. Errors—Graney, Bush, Young, Boland. Two-base hits—Evans, Bagby, Burns. Three-base hit—Veach. Home run—Heilman. Stolen bases—Roth, Speaker, Evans, Cobb. Sacrifice hit—O'Neill. Left on bases—Detroit, 6; Cleveland, 6. Base on balls—Off Boland, 2; off Ehmke, 3; off Bagby, 2. Hits—Off Boland, 4 in 4 innings; off Ehmke, 5 in 5 innings; off Bagby, 10 in 9 innings. Struck out—By Boland, 3; by Ehmke, 1; by Bagby, 3. Umpires—Messrs. Evans and Owens. Time—1:20.

College Coaches Plan For Soldiers' Sports

Princeton, N. J., Sept. 16.—As a result of a meeting held here, athletic directors at various army camps in the eastern part of the country were prepared to carry out instructions and suggestions for the organization of the sporting activities of the soldiers. About twenty-five college coaches now in the service of the government as athletic directors attended the meeting, which was called by Dr. Joseph E. Rowcroft, the supervising head.

Among those who attended were By Walter, physical director of Girard College, Philadelphia; Walter Camp, jr.; Major M. L. Pickering, graduate manager of the University of Pennsylvania football; Coach Driver, of the University of South Carolina; R. F. Mellinger, the Amherst coach; W. D. Powell, coach at Western Reserve; Louis Omer, physical director of Northwestern University; John Griffith, coach at Drake University, and G. M. Trautman, Ohio State.

BROWNIES WILL BE HERE ON TUESDAY

After enjoying a day of rest tomorrow, the Griffs will oppose the St. Louis Browns on Tuesday at the Georgia Avenue Coliseum in the first of a three-game series. Gallia will most likely oppose Allen Sothoron in the opener.

Four recruits, including Loudermilk, Demmitt, Gerber and Miller, have been requested to report at once by the Brown management and are more than likely to meet the team during its stay in Washington.

With a dual victory over the Athletics yesterday, the Griffmen are slowly crowding out the Yankees for the top honors of the second division, and the rest of the work of this accomplishment is expected to be completed with the long end of the series with the Browns and the Tigers, who are the guests here this week.

Resta Is Signed.

New York, Sept. 16.—Dario Resta, champion automobile driver of 1916, last night signed an entry blank for the Harkness Cup race, to be run at the Sheepshead Bay Speedway next Saturday afternoon. He will compete against Ralph De Palma, Louis Chevrolet, Ira Vail, Ralph Mulford, Eddie Hearne, Dave Lewis and a dozen others.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS TO LAUREL RACE TRACK

Plan to Make Plant Among the Best Adapted in Turfdom.

Laurel, Md., Sept. 16.—In an effort to place the plant among the best adapted in turfdom, the management of the Maryland State Fair is parting with nearly $20,000 on minor improvements prior to the opening of the big October meeting at Laurel Park. The clubhouse, while erected only three years and of the very latest design, has not been overlooked in the alterations which will make the local course among the finest where the thoroughbreds meet in tussles annually. The north wing of the building, from which many prominent persons in the social life have witnessed the contests among the greatest equines in training in the fall, has been enclosed, partly in glass, and this will eliminate the cold and chilling winds, as well as rain, which have swept through that opening when the elements were unfavorable.

This move was also in a large part due to the installation of the $10 mutuel machines, which have been added for the benefit of those who watch the races from the clubhouse, to place their wages without having to leave the verands. Heretofore a trip was necessary to the mutuel emporium proper. Five new machines will be in operation during the coming meeting, making a total of forty, the largest number to be used in this State.

In addition to those for the benefit of the members of the clubhouse, three have been put at the northeast corner of the ring, these being of the $10 straight, another of $10 ($5 straight and $5 place) and a $6 combination ($2 straight, $2 place and $2 show). Laurel Park has probably the best mutuel plant in the East, and since the introduction of the French system of betting here it has been ably handled by Harry F. Breivogel, who, through his experience with the iron men in Kentucky, knows it from A to Z. The prices the mutuels have paid since their inception at Laurel Park have established the popularity of this mode of wagering with those who attend the races here, and the old system of bookmaking has been entirely forgotten. The mutuels, have not only tended to improve the racing, but have curbed the work of persons who have been detrimental to the sport, which has been so cleanly handled since Col. M. J. Winn procured control of Laurel Park in 1911, this being the fifth meeting to be held under his gu