

# All Is Ready for Opening of World Series--Columbine Wins Feature Race

## FISHING—In the Stone Ages.

By TOPLIFFE

A game of chance won a race in Readville, which proves that now and then you can win that way.



Speaker has left the Indians. Cobb has left the Tigers. Naturally when the Indians and Tigers play again the peanut boys should have the stands to themselves.

## CUBS AND SOX TO START IN BASEBALL CLASSIC TODAY

World Series Will Get Under Way at White Sox Park in Chicago; Windy City Tribe Are Favorites; Vaughan to Work.

You can't go back into former years to begin to get your dope on the present world series.

For the first time since the classic was inaugurated two clubs will take the word on which the majority of players have been together only for a season.

Of eight regulars on the Cubs, excluding the pitchers, four are 1918 additions to the club.

Of nine regulars on the Red Sox, excluding the pitchers and including two catchers, six had not seen service with the club before this year.

The Cubs and Red Sox of 1918 are distinctly different from the clubs which wore the same uniforms last year.

The Chicago Cubs are picked to win the present world series. There are several reasons for this selection.

The Cubs have a trifle the stronger and better balanced pitching staff.

Their offensive strength is equal if not superior to that of the Red Sox.

Killefer is a little better catcher than either Agnew or Schanz.

On defense the clubs are fairly evenly matched.

The Cubs this season have played more consistent ball than any other club in either league.

From the time they caught the Giants, early in the summer, they have never faltered.

It is not a club which will break under the strain of "money playing."

It may be depended upon to play the same brand of baseball all the series as it has shown during the season.

The Red Sox are not a temperamental outfit as the Giants of last year.

There is little danger of their developing world series buck fever.

Let us consider the clubs, position for position.

In Bill Killefer the Cubs have the best catcher in the National League.

He is brainy and handles his pitchers as well as any receiver in the game.

Mechanically he has few equals. His receiving is beyond criticism.

Both are good catchers, though neither can be placed in a class with Killefer.

The Boston catcher has a trifle more "back" than Killefer, but not enough to offset his advantage behind the bat.

The Red Sox have the lead on first base. McInnis, the crafty ground-crover of the Mackinac school, excels Merkle on the field and in a short series should be equal with the stick.

McInnis has not batted up to his usual form this season, but is a likely hitter when his arm is most needed.

The second base position is also awarded to Boston. Shean, a veteran, taking precedence over Peck.

Second base is likely to prove the weakest link in the Cubs' chain.

It is difficult to choose between the rival shortstops, but on account of his superior stick work, the edge is given to Hollocher, undoubtedly the best shortstop in the National League.

Scott, of Boston, is one of the best fielding shortstops in the game.

His long experience may make him the more valuable in the field, but as Hollocher has gone through the season without a cracking, it is to be supposed that he will play up to his usual standard in the big series.

The major league experience of the Boston players is a factor to call for the third sack over Coffey, National League of Boston.

It is likely Coffey will play third during the series. His major league experience is extremely limited, although he has always been a good player.

There is little to choose between the two outfielders.

Chicago will play Paskert, Mann and Flack in center.

Mann in left and Flack in right.

Boston will use Hooper, Strunk, Ruth and Whitman.

Hooper will hold down the right garden.

When Ruth plays he will be in center and Strunk will be in left.

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The veterans Paskert and Hooper compare favorably.

Both are wonderful ground crovers in the outfield.

Both have the same finished throwing arms.

Both are potential 300 hitters.

Hooper's averages usually being somewhat reduced by the fact that he leads the batting order.

Whitman is the clean-up hitter of the Cubs.

Strunk and Mann also compare favorably.

Mann being a trifle the more consistent hitter.

Both cover a lot of ground in their fields and are dependable in all phases of the game.

The rub comes in the comparison of Flack with Ruth and Whitman.

When Whitman plays the Cubs have the edge.

Flack is the more finished fielder of the two and as good a hitter as Whitman.

With Ruth in the game, matters are reversed.

Than Ruth there is no more terrific slugger in baseball.

He is likely to break up a game at any time with a home run or triple.

If the games in Chicago are played in the Cub Park, the short fences will be a factor in his favor.

Ruth's prowess with the bat far offsets his lack of polish in the field.

When Light-weight Champion.

An Atlantic Port, Sept. 3.—Billy Whelan, the St. Paul, light-weight who was under the management of Eddie Kane of Washington and St. Paul won the light-weight championship of the Navy last night when he defeated the champion Gunner Cunningham in three rounds.

Publishers Play Meigs.

The Capital Publishers will meet this afternoon at Camp Meigs in the soldier boys' last game of the season.

This should be a good game as yesterday the Printers played in great form and held the Marines to a tie score in an overtime contest.

## OPERATIONS LAND EASILY

### Navy Interbureau Leaders Not Forced to Extend Selves Against Meds.

Operations opened up section number two yesterday at American League Park when it won a poorly and loosely played game from the Army Medics by a 14 to 8 count.

Operations went with a rush in the first chapter when the clerks scored seven tallies. Three passes and hits by Degnan, Mathews, Harnsberger and Von Herbulis did the trick.

Clark who started on the mound for Army was relieved under fire in the first by Delhale. Del was hit hard all through the contest but his team mates could not overcome the big handicap.

The opponents gathered in the opening chapter. Von Herbulis was hit hard in spots.

Medicos managed to get to Von in the third for six tallies. Six hits with two bases on balls with one loose fielding by his colleagues aided and abetted by a couple of errors did the scoring for the doctors.

Phyle relieved Von Herbulis in the fourth and held the Medicos safe the rest of the way. The Army scored two runs off Phyle but Operations had a big lead and he let up in his work.

Owens worked the last inning but there was no more scoring by the Army team.

This afternoon the Rex Athletic Club meets the Navy Yard team at Union League Park at 5:15. The batteries will be Kelly or Lyons and Fitzgerald for Rex while Tommy Crooks will use Buscher or Frye with Giovannetti behind the bat.

The steady demand for reserved seats has convinced Walter Craighead, business manager of the Chicago Cubs, that few will remain to be placed on sale on the opening day of the series.

From all indications the 17,000 box and reserved seats will be sold before tomorrow night. The 15,000 general admission tickets will not be placed on sale until the day of each game.

Games will begin at 2:30 o'clock each day.

## MURRAY DEFEATS TILLIEN FOR TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

New York, Sept. 3.—Robert Lindley Murray, the rushing "meteor" of the court, and one of the most spectacular players who ever came out of California to dazzle the East, won the national singles lawn tennis championship this afternoon by defeating William T. Tilden, 2d., of Philadelphia, by the decisive score of 6-3, 6-1, 7-5.

The match took place on the "championship" court of the Westside Tennis Club at Forest Hills and was witnessed by a gallery that completely filled the big grandstand and stood in hundreds along the fences that surrounded the courts.

Murray's tremendous net attack, service that was absolutely merciless in its terrific power and speed, and an amazing control of his volleying shots were the fetters of the match and the weapons wherewith the stalwart son of the golden West battered Tilden down to defeat and rode roughshod over his brilliant opponent.

The match was a disappointment to the thousands who watched the annihilation of Tilden. It was expected that the national clay court champion would at least put up a bitter struggle before succumbing to his first defeat of the season.

Yet Murray appeared unbearable today, never giving his tall opponent a chance to start a rally until the final set, so vicious was his attacks and so merciless the pace he set from start to finish.

There are excuses to be made in Tilden's behalf, although he would make none himself, but even at his best, it is doubtful whether Tilden could have withstood the relentless attack of the Californian.

Tilden, for the last three weeks, has been suffering from a badly infected right foot, blood-poisoning having developed at Longwood, during the playing of the national doubles. Yesterday the wound broke on his right heel, just where the top of the shoe touched, and every move must have been painful to the Philadelphian.

It was noticeable throughout the match that Tilden was never able to foot about his court with his usual wonderful speed, and many of Murray's placement shots he did not even attempt to return, staying back court almost entirely.

In the final set, with Murray leading him 5-2 on aces, the clay court champion, knowing it must be then or never, forgot his injured foot, forgot the deadliness of Murray's volleying and smashing, and closed in at the net himself, throwing caution to the winds.

For three dazzling games Tilden smothered the Californian by a series of wonderful placement shots, during which he took his place at the net and cut off Murray's returns in a manner that roused the great gallery to wave after wave of applause.

He brought the games to 5-all and it seemed as though he had at last struck his stride and was going to give Murray a tremendous battle for the championship.

But this flash was Tilden's final bid and Murray, maintaining the same amazing pace that had distinguished his playing all the way, won the eleventh game at "love," two tremendous service aces accounting for the last two points. He then won the twelfth game for the set at 7-5, the match and the championship, Tilden sending the last return into the net as he tried to volley Murray's return off his backhand.

By Owens, 1. Hits made—Off J. Clark, 2; off Delhale, 11; off Von Herbulis, 3; off Phyle, 8; off Owens, 1. Struck out—By Delhale, 4; by Von Herbulis, 1; by Phyle, 4. Three-base hit—R. Clark. Two-base hits—Waters, Mathews, Hager, Watts, Stolen bases—Murphy, Deagan, C. Hager, Watts, Harnsberger, Conroy. Double play—Carpenter to R. Clark to Hager. Hit by pitcher—By Von Herbulis (Phigge); by Phyle (Hager). Wild pitch—Von Herbulis. Umpire—Mr. Hughes.

Commerce increased its lead in the Departmental League yesterday afternoon on the Princeton courts when it beat Treasury four out of five matches.

Summaries: (Commerce) defeated Commerce 4, Treasury 1. Davis and Rowe (Commerce) defeated Dudley and Clarke (Treasury) 6-4, 4-6, 6-2. Owens and Dainsault (Commerce) defeated Armstrong and Reamy (Treasury) 6-2, 5-6, 6-4. Cragoe and Phelps (Commerce) defeated Haas and Anderson (Treasury) 6-4, 6-4. New-

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## PRINTERS HELD TO EVEN COUNT

### Marines Force Publishers Into Overtime Contest for Title.

The U. S. Marines from Quantico opened the District championship series yesterday at Union League Park in section No. 1 with a battle royal, when the Capital Publishers forced the visitors into an overtime game which went ten innings to 3-all count.

"Lefty" Pat Dennean and Mike Cantwell hooked up in a hurling duel, in which Mike had to quit in eighth, but his club was able to stand firm and tied up the game in the last half of the ninth. Pat had a tantalizing slow curve which he mixed in with his fast one which the Marines found it hard to drive out of the infield.

Although the Marines gathered twelve safe blows off the slants of Dennean, he kept them well scattered. The visitors had chances to score in the fifth and seventh, but Pat lightened up and held the score dog off. Cantwell was under fire in the fourth, fifth and eighth. Mike had to give way to a relief in the eighth after four solid whacks were registered by the home folks and two runs tallied, giving the Marines the lead by one tally.

The Marines bunched three hits for one run in the ninth, which tied the count. But Dennean held the Marines safe in the tenth. After two were down, the Moore singled through short and third and Crwin ended the game with a dump in front of the plate and Tweedle threw him out at the initial sack.

War Risk will battle Commerce this afternoon at American League Park. The score:

Table with columns for C.P., A.H.O.A.E., Marines, A.H.O.A.E., Mover, P, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

## HERRICK-PURINTON MAKE FINAL ROUND

Herrick and Purinton made the final round in the tennis doubles of the District championship tournament by defeating O'Bryan and Dumm on the Dumbarton courts yesterday, 6-0, 6-1. O'Bryan and Dumm reached the semi-final through the default of Howenstain and Minix.

Doyle and Siller will meet Miller and Dolman in the semi-final of the other half of the bracket today, the winners to play Herrick and Purinton on Thursday at 5 o'clock for the title.

Players who are eligible for the consolation are requested to report promptly at 5 o'clock today. There were many defaults yesterday in this class.

## COLUMBINE LANDS FEATURE EVENT FROM CLASSY FIELD

### C. M. JOHNSON IS FAVORITE

### Birdman Will Make Hard Drive to Beat Out Field.

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 3.—This was an off-day for the running races at Timonium today, but tomorrow and the balance of the week, the thoroughbred will be sent over the half-mile course again. The attendance today at the fair, which is being held in connection with the races, was about 600 as compared with 15,000 yesterday.

The wise ones intend to keep their eye on Clark M. tomorrow, as he is an eligible for the seventh race. He has won his last four starts. In his first three starts, which were at the Maryland track, the price on him advanced steadily each time, but yesterday the wise acres were all down hook, line and sinker and he was only a little better than even money. It is believed Birdman will give him a hard run for the honors tomorrow if he starts.

The entries for Wednesday are: First race—For 2-year-olds: six and a half furlongs. Frank Shannon, 103; Hianca, 101; Twilight, IV, 105; Keynote, 101.

Second race—Three-year-olds and up: one mile and a sixteenth—Bogart, 120; Peteluz, 110; Little England, 115; Rockport, 115.

Third race—Four-year-olds and up: one mile and a half: Masterful, 140; Klix, 140; Meelo, 140; Turmoil, 140; Foker, 140; Darkey, 140; Carl, 140.

Fourth race—For three-year-olds and up: six and a half furlongs: Cassaba, 114; Numerate, 107; Chilton King, 117; Salie O'Day, 122; Theophile, 102; Roy Blue, 120; Tankard, 117; Virginia, S., 114.

Also eligible to start: Amper II, 117; Rosemary, 117.

Fifth race—Three-year-olds and up: six and a half furlongs: Expedition, 107; Camba, 107; Sir Adams, 110; Jefferson Club, 115; Dr. Swords, 115; Flying Dart, 107; Alma B., 112.

Sixth race—For three-year-olds: one mile and a sixteenth: Hierder, 100; Well Found, 105; Fusty Boots, 102; Jose Devalde, 108; Grayson, 108.

Seventh race—Three-year-olds and up: one mile and a half furlongs: Birdman, 125; John, 117; C. M. Johnson, 120; Syphon Poy, 117; General, 120; Ocean Prince, 117; Fred Johnson, 117; Lady Edwina, 114.

Also eligible to start: Clark M., 125.

## It Was a Bad Day for Form Players, Only Two Winning.

Belmont Park, Sept. 3.—This was a bad day for the form players, only two of them winning out of six races of the card. R. T. Wilson's Woodthrush paid the best money, 10 to 1, in the fifth race over a mile and a quarter course, beating out Deckmate and Conduit, both heavily backed at 3 to 1 and 2 to 1.

Sunny Slope repeated the performance of yesterday, galloping away with the Jerome Handicap. Motor Cup ran second. The winner was an added starter.

George D. Widener's Columbine won the Far Rockaway Handicap, with Regal Lodge a close second. Columbine laid behind the pace to the last furlongs where she went into the lead, but had to be hard-ridden to save off Regal Lodge. The latter closed with a rush and might have won in a few strides more. Corn Tassel ran poorly and had no excuse.

Crest Hill came along and won the selling steeplechase event, beating both Syoset and Reddest. Flyaway was the first favorite to win in the third race, a five-and-a-half-furlong sprint for 2-year-olds. Madame Byng ran a wood race and was easily the best of the others.

FIRST RACE—Six and one-half furlongs. Columbine, 10 (Belmont), 3 to 1, 2 to 1, 4 to 5, won; Regal Lodge, 30 (Laker), 11 to 5, 4 to 1, 3 to 2, second; Top of the Morning, 22 (Kerry), 7 to 1, even, 1 to 2, third. Time, 1:29 3/4. John I. Day, Corn Tassel and Pouchie also ran.

Regal Lodge and Pouchie added entries. Crest Hill, 141 (Crawford), 3 to 1, 1 to 3/2, out, won; Syoset, 167 (Powers), 3 to 1, 2 to 1, out, second; Eddied, 126 (Hewson), 7 to 1, 4 to 1, out, third. Time, 6:12. Kilmanning also ran.

THIRD RACE—Five and one-half furlongs. Flyaway, 111 (Hawson), 5 to 1, 3 to 1, 2 to 1, out, second; Motor Cup, 100 (Collins), 11 to 5, 1 to 2, out, second; Fuzzy Boots, 102 (Lofus), 7 to 1, 4 to 1, out, third. Time, 1:28 3/4. Only three starters. Sunny Slope added starter.

FIFTH RACE—One mile. Sunny Slope, 28 (Callahan), 3 to 1, out, won; Motor Cup, 112 (Lofus), 7 to 1, out, second; Lady Gertrude, 36 (Laker), 8 to 1, 5 to 1, out, third. Time, 1:58 3/4. Only three starters. Sunny Slope added starter.

SIXTH RACE—Five and one-half furlongs. By Amper, 117 (Hawson), 5 to 1, 3 to 1, 2 to 1, out, won; Motor Cup, 100 (Collins), 11 to 5, 1 to 2, out, second; Fuzzy Boots, 102 (Lofus), 7 to 1, 4 to 1, out, third. Time, 1:28 3/4. Only three starters. Sunny Slope added starter.

SEVENTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up: one mile and a half furlongs: Birdman, 125 (Hawson), 11 to 5, 6 to 5, 3 to 2, won; Minnie, 118 (Belmont), 7 to 2, 6 to 5, 3 to 2, second; Maggie Malfield, 118 (Kerry), 8 to 1, 3 to 1, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:50 3/4. Antoinette, Bradman, Antiqua, Caracas, Sultana and Landlady also ran.

A national scheme of training for sea service, to maintain a supply of British seamen, is being prepared by the English education authorities.

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