

NATIONALS DIE HARD, BUT LOSE TO CARDINALS

Three Double Plays Keep Excited Fans on the Jump Until Finish.

By THOMAS S. RICE. Washington, 17; St. Louis, 2. HOUSTON, Tex., March 28.—McCloskey threw us down again today, but he had to try mighty hard. The score was 2 to 1 in favor of his St. Louis Nationals over the Washington team, and it was full of excitement until the last man died.

Freeman Slow. Jerry Freeman was slow and unending at first base. If he had to catch his food on the ground he would never complain of overweight. He still shows poor form on grass-cutters hit at him, and, judging from his reach, has never lived in a bounding-house.

Altizer is in a bad way. He has brooded so much over his inability to play because of his bruise and the setback he received from the attempt to play last Thursday that he is quite a sick man tonight. He takes his baseball entirely too seriously and imagines all the fates and Texas physicians have conspired to keep him an invalid when he would fain be cavorting at third.

Washington plays St. Louis here tomorrow in the fourth game of the great cellar series for the foolish flag, the score for which now is two games to one in favor of the Washington team and disfavor of the Capital fans.

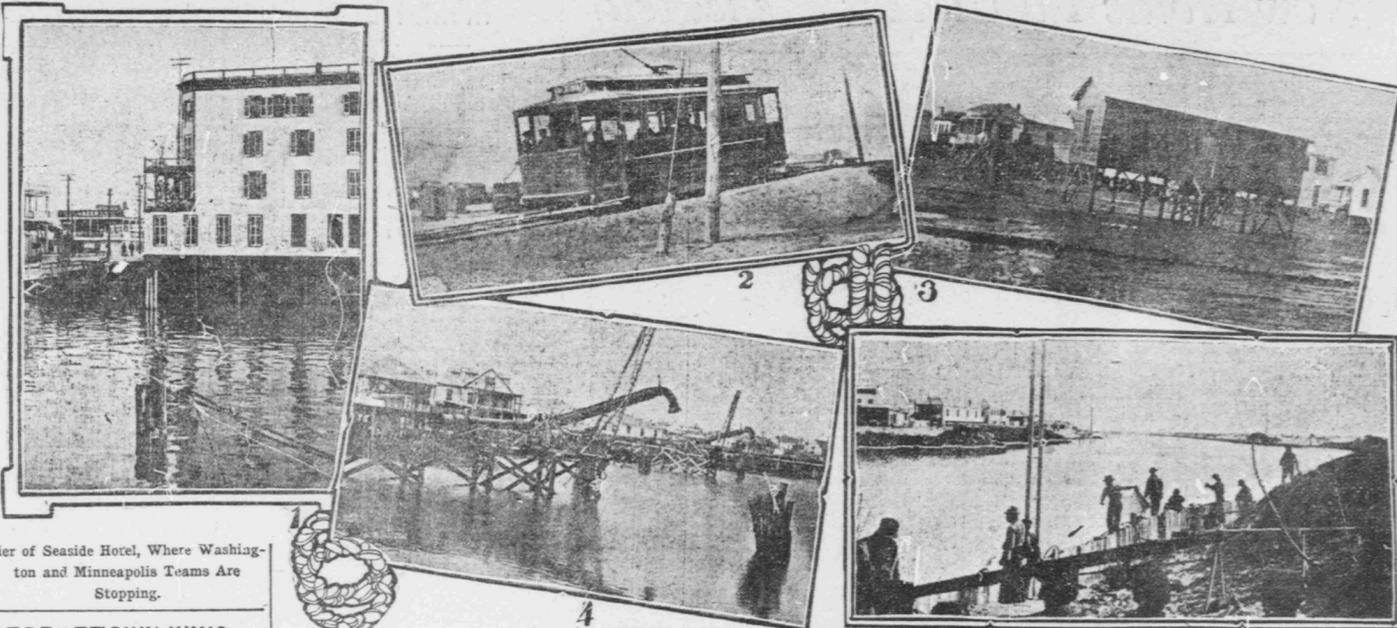
After this battle of the bobblers the winner of the series is scheduled to play the Houston team, making a double header, but that will be called off if possible, as the major athletes angrily object to such a plan for any non-sensory reason, and neither team would be likely to strive earnestly to come out ahead.

Score table for Washington vs St. Louis. Columns: Washington, AB, R, H, O, A, E. Rows: Picking, Stanley, Jim Delehanty, Clymer, Freeman, Cates, McBride, Falkenberg, Keeley.

Score table for St. Louis vs Washington. Columns: St. Louis, AB, R, H, O, A, E. Rows: Charles, Barry, Joe Delehanty, Konetchy, Murray, Byrne, O'Rourke, Bliss, Fromme.

Earned runs—St. Louis, 2. First base on errors—Washington, 3; St. Louis, 2. Left on bases—Washington, 8; St. Louis, 4. Bases on balls—Off Falkenberg, 2; off Fromme, 2. Struck out—By Falkenberg, 4; by Fromme, 5. Three-base hit—O'Rourke. Sacrifice hits—McBride, Falkenberg, Byrne, Bliss, Stolen bases—Byrne. Double plays—McBride to Freeman to Street, Charles to Konetchy to Charles; Barry to Konetchy. Wild pitch—Falkenberg. Passed ball—Bliss. Umpires—Hayes and Blake. Time of game—1 hour and 30 minutes. Attendance—600.

Picturesque Scenes in Fair City of the South Which Nationals Use for Spring Training Camp ARRIVAL OF CLUB MARKS AN EPOCH IN CITY'S GROWTH



Pier of Seaside Hotel, Where Washington and Minneapolis Teams Are Stopping.

GEORGETOWN WINS SECOND CONTEST WITH THE AGGIES

Sluggers Strictly on the Job—Fielding Brilliant. Dave May Come Home.

Georgetown, 5; M. A. C., 0. Whatever doubts may have existed about the relative merits of Georgetown and the Maryland Agricultural College baseball teams were set at rest yesterday, when Georgetown defeated the "Farmers" in hollow fashion by 5 to 0.

Mess' Error. The fielding could not have been better. The one error, charged to Third Baseman Mess, was the result of a very difficult stop of a hard liner and a quick recovery, the throw pulling First Baseman McDonald off his sack.

Devine in Box. Harry Devine made his first appearance on the firing line for Georgetown and twirled a mastery game, having the opposing batsmen at his mercy throughout. He allowed but two hits and succeeded in fanning eight of the Maryland batters. Byrd was also in good form. His showing yesterday was apt as good as in the first contest between the two teams, Georgetown bunting their hits when they meant runs.

The Georgetown team is rapidly rounding into shape for the big games, the first of which comes next Thursday, when the crack Amherst team makes its first appearance in Washington for six years. The New England team is rated as a top-notch this year, and the Georgetown fans are looking forward to a close game. Cornell follows on Saturday and Monday, and then the annual Easter regime starts in.

Score table for Georgetown vs M. A. C. Columns: Georgetown, R, H, PO, A, E. Rows: Mess, Courtney, Simon, McDonald, Schiafry, Duffy, Devine, Totals.

Earned runs—Georgetown, 2. First base on errors—Georgetown, 3; M. A. C., 1. Left on bases—Georgetown, 7; M. A. C., 4. First base on balls—Of Devine, 1; of Byrd, 2. Struck out—By Devine, 8; by Byrd, 6. Two-base hit—McDonald. Stolen bases—Mess (3), McDonald, Smith, Schiafry, Mayock, Duffy. Wild pitch—Devine. Umpire—Mr. Handhoe. Time of game—2 hours and 23 minutes.

Galveston Suburban Car Lines Run Out From City in All Directions.

Head of Galveston Grade-Raising Canal, Where the Lead Pipes Receive and Carry Away Sand From the Channel.

Rain Calls Halt On Yanigan Game

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 28.—The game scheduled here today with the Washington Yanigans was called off on account of rain.

NOTTER THE STAR OF CLOSING DAY AT CITY PARK

Finishes First With Four Mounts and Second With Fifth.

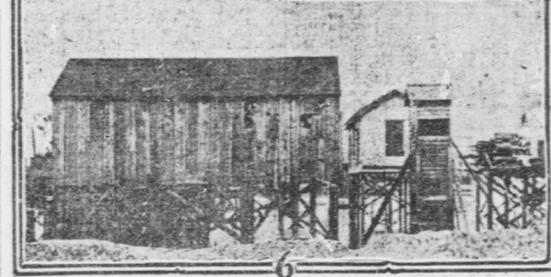
NEW ORLEANS, March 28.—With the running of today's program at City Park, the final session of the winter meetings given under the auspices of the City Park Jockey Club came to a close. Jockey Notter was again in the limelight. He had five mounts during the afternoon, won with four of them, and finished second with the other, Temacoe, in the stake.

The most startling reversal of the winter came with the running of the Lyric Handicap, the feature race of the day, and the result was a big surprise. Old Honesty won the race in runaway fashion and beat the odds-on favorite, Temacoe, out by a length and a half. Old Honesty started in a mile and a sixteenth handicap on Thursday and finished last. He was favorite on that occasion and was ridden by Lee. He showed in front for half a mile in that race and then stopped and at the finish Lee had him over against the outside fence.

John Keegan Leaves. John Keegan, who has been acting as track superintendent at the City Park track, left tonight for Cincinnati. He will take charge of the Latonia plant on his arrival there. Jockey Sumter, who had the mount on Bateman, who fell in the fifth race, escaped with a shaking up. While being led over from the Fair Grounds course, Hancock got the better of the groom and ran away. When the officials heard of it they excused the horse and ordered that all money wagered on him be returned.

New Orleans Summaries. First race—Purse, \$500; two-year-olds; four and one-half furlongs. Guy Fisher, 106 (Notter), 12 to 1, won; Brougham, 112 (Nicol), 20 to 1, second; Intervene, 113 (Minder), even, third. Time, 0:54-5.

Fourth race—The Lyric Handicap; value, \$5,000; three-year-olds and upward; one and half miles. Old Honesty, 115 (J. Lee), 9 to 2, won; Temacoe, 112 (Notter), 9 to 10, second; Good Luck, 107 (Powers), 5 to 1, third. Time, 2:32.



Another Sample of House Awaiting Sand to Be Poured Under It.

Choice of Galveston For Spring Workout A Boon to Citizens

Confidence of Visitors in City's Future Inspires Hope in Dwellers After Devastation in Wake of Hurricane.

Galveston, Tex., March 28.—One of the best free advertisements that ever befell a city was Galveston's lot when the Washington baseball team selected it last season as a training ground, and signed a contract to do its spring work there in 1907, 1908, and 1909, with a prospect of renewing the deal for a still longer period.

The arrival of the Washington club last year marked a significant turning point in the country's feeling toward the city, and, incidentally, a change in the attitude of the citizens toward themselves. It meant that Galveston was no longer considered the permanent abode of imminent and complete destruction, but had come to be regarded by the country at large as once more a safe city, whose arduous task of dissipating popular fears and mistaken impressions had been completed, and which, in the future, could turn its entire attention to setting forth its attractions and advantages without having first to prepare a groundwork of confidence.

Texas had known as far as human knowledge could go in the workings of Providence that Galveston was safe after the seawall was completed, but other States and Territories were naturally not so optimistic. Nothing could have done so much to spread the Texas view of the city's permanency as the calm confidence with which the hard-headed men engaged in the baseball business in the North agreed to make that their spring headquarters for a term of years. The letting of contracts for the investment of millions of dollars of capital in Galveston would have created comment in a wide but limited circle and would speedily have been forgotten by those not directly interested. The fact that the Washington club is conditioning there every year is known to millions of people in the United States and is not forgotten.

The generous hospitality of the Galveston people toward the Washington club and all those traveling with it is typical of Texas and will ever remain a bright spot in the memories of those of us who were here last year and this, but it is doubtful whether those same Galvestonians themselves appreciate in turn the significance of our presence on their island, and the indirect but far-reaching effects of the newspaper prominence which has been given that fact. Which only goes to show that in the Lone Star State they do not count the probable profits before extending a hearty welcome to the stranger within its gates.

LARGE CROWD SEES RATTLING PROGRAM AT BENNING TRACK

Kara Winner of Spring Steeplechase—Personal's Nursery Stakes.

A special card was served up yesterday afternoon at Benning and it brought out the biggest crowd of the meeting. The Washington Nursery, the Spring Handicap Steeplechase, and the Potomac Purse were a trio of features that are not often brought together in the same afternoon.

The attendance matched this rattling program. The grandstand was packed, while on the lawn and in the betting ring the big crowd made it uncomfortable to move about. The club house was especially brilliant, with an unusual turnout of the smart set. It was an afternoon of fine racing and the big crowd thoroughly enjoyed it. Many of the finishes were close and exciting and brought out hearty applause.

Steeplechase the Feature. The steeplechase was perhaps the event that gave the lookers on the most thrills, and when Huddy and Essex fought it out down the stretch for the place after a rattling race through the field the crowd rose to its feet and let out a yell of delight. The Washington Nursery, the first of the feature races brought out a big field of the best two-year-olds at the track. John Madden had three entered in this event, Clef, Takahira, and Wilching Hour. The stable was hotly tipped, and was made an 8-to-5 favorite, and played all over the ring. W. H. Mosby's Balbek was next in demand, and from an opening of 5 to 1 was backed to 1 at post time. Some good play went in a Jimmy McLaughlin's Personal, which won a good race Tuesday.

Personal the Real Goods. Personal was the real goods. He made the running from the start and standing off all challenges, won with something to spare. This is a good colt and was badly underestimated by the talent, which allowed the glitter of the Madden name to get the better of their judgment. Madden's Takahira, always well up, took the place.

While Personal won handsily enough, it is by no means certain that he was the best colt. Balbek, who is highly thought of by W. H. Mosby, his owner, who says he is a better colt than Spencer Wells, had no chance in the race. He was knocked back right at the start and looked completely out of it. He came into the stretch almost in last place, but coming with a rush he went round his horses as if they had been tied and finished third. He was running faster than anything in the race at the end.

Kara's Great Performance. The steeplechase was one of the stars of the afternoon. Mr. Colt was starting his crack jumper Kara for the first time this season and he had up the nifty package of 150 pounds. He was made an even-money favorite when the odds were marked up and a ton of money went in on him. Dion Kerr's true and tried Essex got some play, while there was a great tip out on Bersl, which caught a lot of money.

When the horses were off in this race Newt Fisher went to the front and set (Continued on Fifth Page.)

NAVY NOSES OUT CORNELL TEAM

Middies' Victory Marked by Clean Hitting and Fielding.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., March 28.—The Midshipmen won a beautifully contested game with Cornell here this afternoon by a score of 4 to 3. The visitors made a desperate effort to win by substituting batsmen in the last inning, but were not able to get the needed run across the plate.



STEIN'S GREAT SPRING OPENING SPECIAL

This tailoring special means just this: You may select the material for your Easter suit from hundreds of the finest weaves produced by the mills this season—including the new golden browns, olive, blues, elephant grays, mauves, greens, in stripes and invisible plaid effects, elegant plain stripes and plaid blue serges—see the two entire windows devoted to this display—then you will realize the immense variety of choice afforded you.

The tailoring will be strictly "classy," all made in our workrooms by clever tailoring artists of real ability, under the direct supervision of our Mr. Stein.

The style of the coats will be the new Stein Olcott Sack model, which has already created a furore among swell dressers, and has only been out a month. Made with the new style cuffs, and long rolling curved lapels and all the other up-to-date and nifty style ideas. The trimmings will be of the best, only silk alpaca linings being used in the construction of these garments.

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