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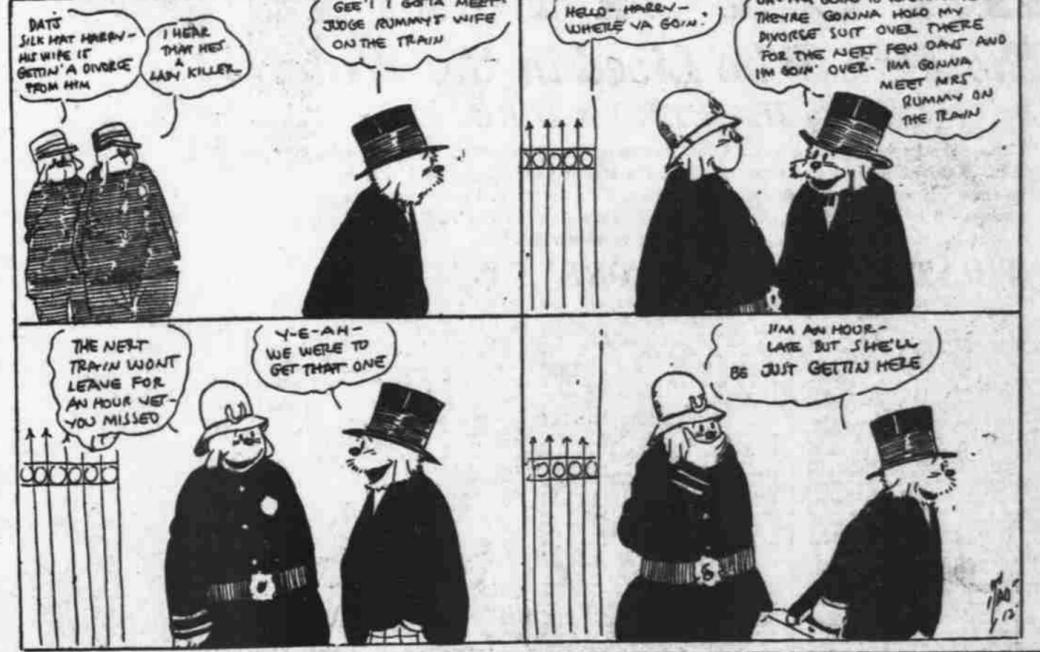
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INDIANS WIN ONE-FOURTH OF TRIUMPHS WITH BRUSH

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

The Cleveland Indians are hanging up a great record for winning shutout victories this season. One of their forty-eight triumphs this year, exactly one-fourth have been white-washes of the enemy.

The world's champions have won eleven shutouts, with Chicago just one behind them.

Table with columns: Team, Won, Lost. Lists Cleveland Indians, Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Washington, St. Louis, New York, Philadelphia.

Lee Fohl's Indians have white-washed the Griffins, Yankees, Red Sox, Brownies and White Sox twice each and once apiece for the Mackmen and Tigers.

Have Lost Last Two. The Indians have lost but two whitewash battles. Allen Sothern, of the Brownies, held the Indians to one blow and shut out Jim Bagby, 4 to 0. Jim Scott pitched a two-hit victory over Stanley Coveleskie.

WHITE SOX SEEKING CALDWELL IN TRADE

Rowland Thinks Kid Gleason Can Handle Big Pitcher.

CHICAGO, July 12.—Ray Caldwell may be traded to the White Sox. Manager Rowland believes that Kid Gleason can handle the erring twirler, and has agreed to turn over John Collins, Nemo Leibold or Eddie Murphy to the Yankees for him. Bill Donovan has turned down this deal, though, believing Caldwell far more valuable than any one of the outsiders named. However, if Rowland will make it two out of the three, Leibold and Murphy may become Yankees within a few days.

Lee Magee's big wartime salary is holding up the deal for Armando Marsans. Magee is being paid close to \$9,000, and his contract runs another year. Marsans collects \$4,000, and Fielder Jones wants the Yankees to pay Magee all above \$4,000. Colored Ruppert, who has joined the Yankees here, doesn't like that phase of the situation.

DON'T WANT ADAMS TO PLAY AS A CUB

Weeghman Says Outfit Has Enough Old Men As It Is.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 12.—"Pitcher Babe Adams, of the St. Joseph's club, has not been purchased by the Cubs and he will not be for the simple reason that we never wanted him," said President Charles H. Weeghman today. "I think we have enough old men of his class on our club now," he added. "It is the desire of Manager Mitchell and myself that we build up a team of young men. We are not in the market for veteran players, regardless of whether or not they would aid us temporarily this season."

The Adams yarn came out of St. Joseph yesterday, from whence it probably was promulgated by stockholders who hoped that the ex-Pirate would be peddled to the Cubs for a substantial sum. Jack Holland, chief owner of the Saints, was here for two days, and conferred with President Weeghman, but it is understood did no business.

ARMY CANCELS GAME WITH MOUNTAINEERS

However, Sports Are Dropped Only for Calendar Year.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., July 12.—Capt. John B. Wood, football representative of the United States Military Academy at West Point, has written local athletic officials formally canceling the football game scheduled to be played between the Army and West Virginia at West Point on October 13.

TWELVE STAKES FOR BELMONT MEETING

NEW YORK, July 12.—Twelve stakes will be offered for the fall meeting at Belmont Park, beginning September 1 and closing September 15. Three of the fixtures are for three-year-olds and upwards and they are the Municipal Handicap of \$2,000 added and at the mile and a half distance; the Belmont Park Autumn Handicap, with \$1,000 added, at a mile and a furlong, and the Nassau, a selling stake at a mile which has a guaranteed value of \$1,000.

SAYS DARK HORSE SHOULD WIN FLAG IN THIS CIRCUIT

CLEVELAND, July 12.—It's all over now but the shouting. The Cleveland Indians are going to win the American League pennant. Nick Altrock says so, and when he made this statement he was serious, sober, and very much in earnest. Said Nick: "I can't see the White Sox or the Boston Red Sox as pennant winners. I'll venture a prediction that the championship this season will be landed by a dark horse, a club nobody figured last April. It looks to me as if Cleveland had about as good a chance, and if I was a betting man, I'd lay a few kopeks on Fohl's club to win."

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BOB THAYER'S SPORTING GOSSIP

It took Frank Baker a long time to hit his stride with the bat, but he is now clouting the ball for more than 400. If he had the support of one other batsman in his rush against opposing pitchers, Baker might keep the Yankees in line. But it behooves to look as if the team had shot its bolt.

A New York writer scoffs at Jess Willard's statement that he is but thirty pounds overweight and could easily get into shape to defend his title. "Willard has tucked away nearly \$500,000 since becoming champion, and there isn't any reason in the world why he should fight again. He should retire and stay retired."

Wilbert Robinson has finally shed his blood. Jake Daubert collects \$9,000 for being bunged up most of the time. He's the Ray Morgan of the Dodgers. Mike Mowrey, Wheeler across from Cutchaw, Coombs, and Marquard seem doomed to fall beneath the axe. Like all champions, the Dodgers have cracked.

That Cherrysdale marathon is attracting a lot of attention around town. It will start at 6:30 o'clock, as the day begins to cool off, from the Times building, finishing at the Cherrysdale fair grounds. A big bunch of motor cars will follow the athletes through the city and out over the Virginia roads.

Sunday's benefit concert and ball game for the Sixty-ninth New York regiment deserves all possible support from Gotham fans. The soldiers in that regiment are not wealthy. When they go to France most of them will leave dependents behind them. The Government is making no provisions for taking care of dependents, but the major leagues are trying to do their best to help the boys going overseas. Luckily this proposed game is to be played at the Polo Grounds, far from those hair splitters in Brooklyn who prefer to see their names in the papers than to know that the soldiers are being assisted.

TIGERS BUY PITCHER. DETROIT, July 12.—Hughy Jennings has purchased Joe Dalley, a pitcher, from Seattle. Dalley will report here Sunday.

YOUNG COVELESKIE FOOLS GRIFFS AND EASILY WINS

CLEVELAND, July 12.—Inability to hit Coveleskie, Cleveland's young spitball twirler, caused the Griffins to drop the opening game of the series here, 3 to 0. Covey had great command of his moist fling, and was tight as a drum in the pinches.

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LEAGUES TO ENGAGE IN MATCHES ON SATURDAY

Circuits Get Little Practice on Account of Poor Weather. Two tennis leagues will take the courts Saturday despite the fact that practice has been put off daily on account of the wet weather.

With an unusually tight race in the Suburban circuit, Racquet, Princeton and Euclid striving for the leadership, the teams will stack up for a battle for second place when Racquet and Euclid play.

Bureau of Standards plays the Holmsad Club. The Holmsad players have been going poorly of late and have been finding it difficult to get their teams out for matches. Home and Petworth will play Saturday in the remaining Suburban League engagement.

In the City and Suburban League Sherwood comes back at Y. M. C. A. The Washington Railway and Electric players will engage the Fairmont racqueters, while Spring Road will play the Takoma Park lads.

TO AID REGIMENT. NEW YORK, July 12.—In aid of the "Fighting Sixty-ninth," a sacred concert, followed by a regular league game between the Giants and Cubs, will be staged at the Polo Grounds Sunday. The Sixty-ninth is an Irish regiment with a record bright with brave deeds in the civil war.

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CHICAGOANS STILL GAMELY FIGHTING FOR WESTERNTILE

CHICAGO, Ill., July 12.—Four Chicago golfers, the Edwards brothers, Ned Sawyer, 1906 Western champion, and Peter Burnett, meet three Easterners and the Argentine champion, Jack May, in today's third round of the Western Golf Association on the Midlothian course.

John Anderson, runner-up for the amateur open title in 1913 and 1915, meets Ned Sawyer, former Western title holder and national runner-up in 1907; Jess Gullford, former Massachusetts champion and one of the longest drivers the game has known, plays Kenneth Edwards, medalist in the present tournament.

Francis Oulme, former open and amateur champion, rated as a pro west of the Mississippi and competing by special invitation as an amateur by the W. G. A., engages Peter Burnett, a Chicagoan, while Jack May, champion of South America, is playing against Donald Edwards, of Chicago, medalist in the second day's play.

JOHNSON SAYS RUTH PAID FULL PENALTY

Red Sox Tried to Get Him Earlier, But Lost Out. CHICAGO, July 12.—President Johnson of the American League has come to bat with an explanation of his action in the "Babe Ruth case." The American League chief has been criticized by some writers relative to his alleged leniency.

"Ruth was suspended and fined for his assault on Owens, the umpire," said Johnson. "He did not receive the full penalty because it was his first offense."

"Several writers have misstated the penalty. One stated that Ruth was let out for seven days and another writer took occasion to criticize the league for its suspension of Ruth for 'two days for slugging an umpire.'"

"The facts are Ruth was suspended for ten days and fined \$100 for his offense. The club tried to squeeze out on a nine-day suspension, but Ruth was out ten full days."

CONLEY LOSES AT LAST. DALLAS, Tex., July 12.—"Snipe" Conley has at last lost a game. Waco hammered him hard yesterday, winning by a score of 5 to 3. Conley tied the records of Tim Keefe and Rube Marquard, though, with nineteen straight victories before losing.

SIGNS UP WALLACE. ST. LOUIS, July 12.—Manager Huggins has signed Bobby Wallace, who played twenty years in the big leagues before quitting as a member of the Brownies. Wallace will act as utility infielder for the Cardinals.

OFFICERS' RESERVE CORPS MEN TO ROW POTOMACS

Fort Myer reserve corps officers will appear Saturday in a feature of the regatta at one mile against the Potomac Boat Club crew in the Potomac regatta, which was to have been held in Duluth this week.

Six members of the reserve crew have been selected already. They are William and K. Ashford, Alan Garner, Elmer McKay, Eugene Foster, all of the Potomac Boat Club, and Ray Clarke, who rowed on the Cornell crew last year.

Other Events Carded. In addition to this race there will be eight-oared shell races, single races, and quad races. In the single scull event Bob Duncan, Frank Smith, and Andrew Mutterly will be hooked up.

All crew races will be over the Potomac mile course, which finishes in front of the boat house. In addition to the crew races there will be several canoe events. J. R. Abbott is in charge of the affair. The event takes the place of the trip contemplated to the North-western regatta, which was to have been held in Duluth this week.

WILLARD TO FIGHT WHEN SNOW APPEARS

Fulton and Morris Have Reason to Cheer Up Now. Jess Willard hasn't the least intention of retiring just yet. He announces that he will be ready to defend his title against Fred Fulton or Carl Morris after the close of the circus season in October. In a letter to friends in Chicago, Willard declares that he weighs 260, about thirty pounds above his best fighting weight.

"It is not true that I have refused to box either Carl Morris or Fred Fulton," Willard's letter continues. "Why should I bar those fellows if the public wants me to meet either of them? It is true that I do not like Morris, but that doesn't mean that he is barred. With a little training I can reduce to my best weight. I have no notion of retiring."

Willard's admission will be welcome news to both Morris and Fulton. They have harped on the idea that the big Kansas would go on and on wearing the heavyweight crown without giving any one a chance to knock it from his noble dome. Fulton and Morris are right at the top of their speed, and Willard seems to be the only one able to give them any sort of an argument, mostly because of their great size and weight.

It was generally thought that Willard would retire without risking the chance of being defeated. His letter to Chicago, however, makes it certain that Jess still bankers for a portion of smashing big championship gate. Cheer up, Morris, and Fulton, likewise, cheer up!

Brief Sports For Busy Readers. Wilbur Goode, former big league outfielder, tripped while trying to trap a short fly ball at Milwaukee and broke his collarbone. He will be out of the game for the rest of the season.

Clonnie Tait, of Alberta, knocked out Johnny O'Leary, Canada's lightweight champion, in ten rounds. The Yankees yesterday sent Jacob Reich, treasurer of the American Red Cross, a check for \$540.92, which was 10 per cent of the Yankees' share of the receipts of their Fourth of July series with Boston. Rain unquestionably worked against the size of the Red Cross check, as only three games of a five-game series were played.

Frank Gilbooley, the Yankee outfielder, who broke his collarbone at Philadelphia, May 7, reported to the team yesterday in Chicago. He is expected to play today.

JOHNNY EVERS DONE AS STALLING'S MAN

BOSTON, July 12.—Johnny Evers, the Braves' famous second baseman, probably has played his last game with Boston. Evers is on his way to Philadelphia to confer with Manager Pat Moran, of the Phillies, who has made a bid for him, believing Johnny will shortly be in condition to play ball.

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