

# DETROIT FORGES INTO THIRD PLACE

### Athletics Continue Winning Streak by Defeating St. Louis.

By defeating the Boston World's champs yesterday, Hughie Jennings and his Detroit Tigers managed to crawl into third place. The Tigers piled up a winning lead in the early innings through poor support given Leonard.

Connie Mack's Athletics continued their winning streak, taking a fall-out of St. Louis in a hard-fought, see-saw game.

Washington blanked Chicago 2 to 0, and the New York Yankees divided a double-header with Cleveland.

In the National league the New York Giants managed to entrench themselves more firmly in first place by taking a fall out of St. Louis.

Boston and Cincinnati broke even in a double-header and Chicago beat Brooklyn 2 to 0. Vaughn held Brooklyn to two hits.

## STANDING OF THE CLUBS

### AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Chicago	62	42	.595
Boston	61	49	.554
Detroit	55	49	.529
Cleveland	57	51	.528
New York	53	49	.520
Washington	46	57	.447
Philadelphia	38	61	.384
St. Louis	38	67	.362

### NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
New York	63	31	.670
Philadelphia	59	42	.583
St. Louis	55	48	.534
Cincinnati	56	53	.514
Chicago	52	52	.500
Brooklyn	48	59	.490
Boston	42	61	.402
Pittsburg	31	67	.316

### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Indianapolis	65	42	.618
St. Paul	60	46	.566
Louisville	64	50	.562
Columbus	56	51	.523
Kansas City	62	51	.555
Minneapolis	46	63	.422
Milwaukee	42	59	.416
Toledo	41	67	.380

### PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

Club	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
San Francisco	73	51	.592
Los Angeles	65	59	.524
Salt Lake	65	59	.528
Oakland	59	66	.472
Portland	56	63	.471
Vernon	58	68	.457

## YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

**American Association.**  
At New York—2nd game: R. H. E.  
Cleveland ..... 2 5 1  
New York ..... 1 6 0  
Batteries—Coveleskie and O'Neill; Caldwell and Walters.

**National League.**  
At St. Louis—R. H. E.  
New York ..... 4 9 0  
St. Louis ..... 2 4 1  
Batteries—Sallee, Ferritt and Hariden; Doak and Snyder.  
At Cincinnati—2nd game: R. H. E.  
Boston ..... 0 3 1  
Cincinnati ..... 2 6 3  
Batteries—Neff and Tragesser; Rice, Toney and Wingo.  
(Results of other games published yesterday.)

### American Association.

St. Paul 6-4, Kansas City 1-0.  
Minneapolis 2-7, Milwaukee 4-6.  
Columbus 5, Toledo 4. (Second game called at end of second inning, rain.)

### Pacific Coast League.

Los Angeles 6, Oakland 1.  
San Francisco 1, Vernon 1.  
Portland 7, Salt Lake 2.

## VETERAN BUTTE TENNIS PLAYER IN CLUB FINALS

D. D. McLaughlin, the veteran Butte tennis player, yesterday won two straight sets from W. B. Roll, 6-4, 6-3, in the semi-finals of the tourney which will carry with it the city championship. The finals are scheduled to be played tonight. In the other semi-final match yesterday Simmons won from Merritt, a lad but 13 years of age and whose tennis playing has practically been confined to this year. Merritt has been assistant at the grounds and also mascot for the club this year. The boys show considerable promise and when a few years more shall have been added to his playing he should prove a marvel.

## COLLEGE MEN WANT QUICK ACTION IN WAR

College athletes are used to action and when they get into government service they want to get action just as they got it on the football field.

That's why four college men in the naval reserve have asked to be transferred to the marine corps.

The men are "Cupid" Black, captain of the 1916 Yale football team; Charley Barrett, Cornell pitcher and one of the greatest football players developed in the east in a decade; Harold Early, a Yale baseball player, and Harry Sullivan, a baseball player from Georgetown.

"The marine corps gets quick action," said Early. "That's what we want. We might stay in the naval reserve a year without seeing anything more thrilling than a movie."

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# PACEMAKER CAR PASSES THROUGH BELLINGHAM

### Will Probably Take Defense League Machine Four Days to Reach Tia Juana.

Bellingham, Wash., Aug. 9.—The pacemaker car of the Pacific Coast Defense league, bearing Hal Stone, the driver, of San Francisco; R. W. Emerson, secretary of the league, and a newspaper man, passed through Bellingham at 9 o'clock this morning on a flying trip from the Canadian boundary at Blaine, Wash., to the Mexican border. Mr. Emerson carries a letter from A. E. Todd, mayor of Victoria, B. C., to Governor Cantu of Lower California. The car left Blaine at 8 o'clock and is expected to reach its destination at Tia Juana, Mexico, a distance of about 1,800 miles, in four days. The trip is being made at the request of the federal government for information regarding the possibility of a military highway along the Pacific coast that may be used the year around.

The pacemakers were escorted through this city by Fire Chief J. J. Marsh and automobile or motorcycle detachments of police will accompany them through the other cities along the coast.

## AT 65 TEN EYCK WILL ROW RACE WITH RIVAL, 71



When you hear his talk about athletes going to pieces after 30 or 35, just think of Jim Ten Eyck and forget about it. Jim is 65 and he still manages to get winning crews at Syracuse university, where he coaches.

But more than that Jim can still pull a mighty wicked oar himself and a September will compete in a three-mile rowing race.

His opponent is a more striking refutation to the belief about athletes fading young. He is James Riley, 71, former United States sculling champion.

Riley is after revenge. Seven years ago Ten Eyck beat him by 16 lengths over same three-mile course, both rowing the distance under 24 minutes.

## SPORT GOSSIP

Roy Bates, third baseman for the Athletics, and W. Noyes, a young pitcher, have notified Manager Mack that they will quit the team Saturday to join the national army. Playing with the Athletics should be sufficient grounds for rejection.

Adolph Schinkel, who was with the Butte baseball team until the Northern western league blew, made a good start with the Salt Lake team on his initial appearance to the Mormon City. He defeated the Vernon club 2 to 1. Manager Bernard of the Bees plans to use him regularly in the box.

## SLIPS FROM DAYS AS STAR TOWARD MINORS

Jake Daubert is Having Hard Time to Hold on With Dodgers.

Brooklyn, Aug. 9.—Always troubled with extremely brittle legs and ankles, Jake Daubert, Brooklyn first sacker and captain of that National league club, appears to be on the chutes that lead to minor leaguedom. Daubert has been out of the game almost continually this season. Very few completed contests stand in his record.

Wilbert Robinson, shortly after Daubert's injury, declared that Fred Merkle would have been worth twice what the Brooklyn club received for him from Chicago if he had only been present to take the place of the busted up captain. Merkle has been playing splendid baseball for Chicago.

Batting figures don't mean all there is to ball playing. Some of the game's best hitters have been hopeless at other angles of the game. Occasionally, however, there are players who combine all virtues and these are the greatest stars of the game. Daubert entered this class long ago. He is a splendid fielder, always has been fast on the bases, and for several years made a specialty of leading the National league in hitting.

Jake had a terrible time getting started on his career as a ball player. No one seemed to think much of the former Pennsylvania minor.

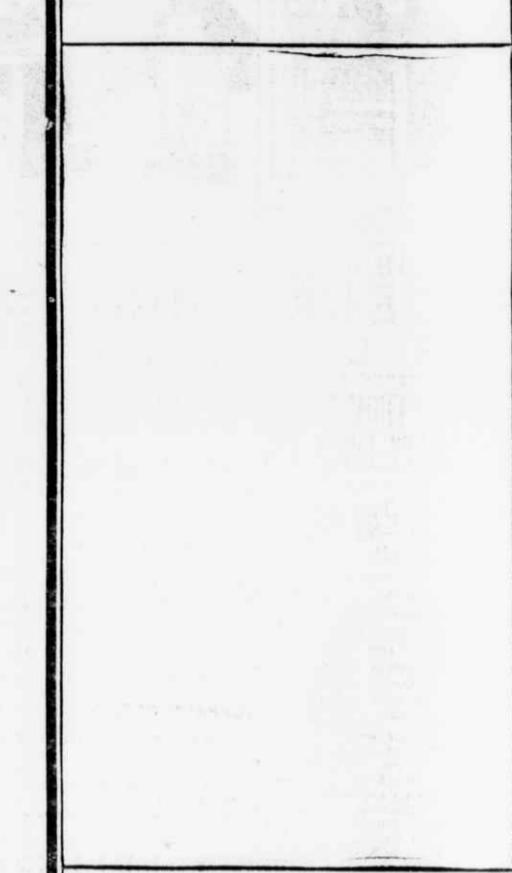
After leaving Kane, where he played semi-professional baseball for a couple of years, Daubert broke into the ranks of the professionals with Marion in the Ohio and Pennsylvania league. He never had played any position except first base and it was there he opened up in that league.

Daubert's first batting average for the year of 1907 shows he clouted at a .285 clip.

There must have been something striking about the way Daubert did things, for Cleveland picked him up from Marion. The budding star, however, drew small consolation from Cleveland, for he didn't play sufficient games to get into the American league averages. He was sent to Nashville, from where he was purchased by Toledo. Again he went to the Southern league, this time to Memphis, from

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where he was picked off by Brooklyn, which had an agreement that provided it could take any member of the Memphis club. Daubert has been the club's regular first sacker nearly ever since. He has hit .300 or better for Brooklyn for six years.

## MANAGER MITCHELL REBUILDING CUBS

Is Preparing for Next Season. Not Worried About Finish.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—Manager Mitchell has been in baseball too long to deceive himself into thinking that the present collection of Cub players is efficient enough to win a pennant in the National league. He knows they are not and as a consequence he has started to build a club that will have better than an even chance for the pennant next season. He is going to shape his club before the present race closes so that he will be prepared to get away with a flying start in 1918.

Mitchell virtually took his first step toward reconstructing his team, particularly the infield, when he secured from the New York Giants infielder Kilduff in a trade for Fitcher Al Demaree. Kilduff is one of the best young prospects the league has had this year and the Cub leader considers himself fortunate in getting him from McGraw.

McGraw would not have let Kilduff get away from him if the Giants were spare one without weakening the team, because he has watched Kilduff in games in and practice and knew he was just the player who would assist him in his pennant next season.

"I am trying to build up a club and the time to do it is now," said Mitchell, with whom it will be possible for me to make a successful start this year. Where the Cubs finish next spring, bothering me. Of course, I want to finish in the first division, but my chief object is to prepare for next year. This will be a different team when the 1918 race begins.

"Kilduff is my idea of a perfect infielder. He is built right for one. He is a strong arm and can throw from any position. I watched him in the games against me and in practice and he convinced me that he possessed the requisites to be a star infielder. Kilduff also has a strong pair of legs and can stand the grind day after day without weakening.

"When he played second base for McGraw, while Herzog was out, the middle base was capably protected. He also hit well. His average does not look so wonderful at present, but that does not always count. He can hit with men on the bases and drives a ball wickedly. In one of the early series with the Phillies he broke up a game on Alexander by driving the ball into the left field bleachers in New York.

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"Letting Demaree go leaves me short of pitchers. We have only six now, but I figure I can get enough work out of the bases to make a creditable showing in the remaining games. We have a young pitcher, Walker, signed, but he will not report until after the Southern league closes. President Weeghman is negotiating for another pitcher or two and we may have them before we finish this stay at home. I am not worrying about my pitchers or outfielders."

## ORTH IS THROUGH HANDLING INDICATOR

At Orth has umpired his last game in the National league. The veteran's usefulness as an arbitrator was ended in a game in Brooklyn recently when he slipped in following a play and threw his right knee out of joint. This was the third time such an accident has happened to Orth. He first hurt his knee in 1915, when he slipped in going into the Phillies' dugout and so dislocated his knee that he was confined in the hospital for a month. At that time Dr. John A. Boger, the Phillies' physician, cautioned Orth that if he suffered another severe dislocation it would end his career as an umpire. Dr. Boger devised a brace which Orth used for a long time but finally discarded. Last year he suffered another hurt, but it was slight. But the last was as serious as the first, and Orth is now at his home in Lynchburg, Va., with his leg in a plaster cast.

## CALL HIGGINS SUCCESSOR TO MEL SHEPPARD

The Irish-American athletic club of New York believes it has a fit successor to Mel Sheppard as a middle distance runner in Joe Higgins, recent conqueror of Joe Ray over the mile route, who is said to be the most consistent performer over all distances from the 440 to the mile the east has seen in years.

Higgins received his early training at Holy Cross, where he had no opposition over the half-mile distance and was scarcely ever headed over the difficult quarter.

Higgins has had remarkable success against Ray for the mile of 4:27.1-5 against Ray for the mile was exceptional over the sloppy track on which the race was run.

Higgins has not yet decided whether he will stick exclusively to the half mile and the 1,000-yard distances or whether he will go in seriously for the mile. Past performances seem to indicate that he runs more naturally over the middle distances.

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Connie Mack and Hughie Jennings are friends again. Thus the end of a feud that began with Athletics met the New York Yankees in the world's series last year. The feud ended. Peace was declared. Mack and Jennings are friends again.

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## PICKING BEST PLAYERS CAUSE OF ARGUMENT

Picking the leading baseball player in a named position is a man-sized task. To draw a comparison between certain players is overstepping the bounds of sane criticism at times. To say that Babe Ruth or Walter Johnson or Grover Alexander is the best pitcher in the game might be true, but it would be sure to start an argument over the merits of his rivals.

For instance, it can hardly be said that Arthur Fletcher or Roger Hornsby is the best shortstop in the National league merely because it is true that they lead as hitters. Neither can it be said that Marvyn Miller or Bancroft or Wortman is best, because either is a flashy, fast and accurate fielder. Each man's worth has to be considered.

From a strictly defensive standpoint it probably is permissible to announce Marvyn Miller as the premier, with Bancroft and Wortman running close behind. Everett Scott of the Red Sox doesn't rank with Hornsby and Fletcher as a hitter, but he is a better fielder than either. However, that does not entitle him to be called the best shortstop in the game. Comparisons of the same sort may be drawn from almost every position. Ty Cobb, of course, stands alone as an offensive playing outfielder. As a fielder he is not a Trix Speaker.

One might pick Babe Ruth as the best power hitter, but that hardly pronounces him the best pitcher.

## MURPHY LOOKS LIKE REPEATER ON BIG

Tommy Murphy has begun his year of ruthlessness on other Grand circuit drivers this year.

Murphy's name has become a synonym with leading winners of the big ring, and this year promises to be no exception.

Murphy has won 10 races out of 15 starts this season, and his record is so far more greater than that of any other driver.

Murphy has an uncanny eye for horses and usually comes in at the start of each season with a string of youngsters which he has in all opposition.

This year has proved no exception as Murphy has come to bat with the best young prospects of the year.

Eventually all hope of climbing among the speeders has vanished from the minds of the Washington Star-Walter Johnson getting away to start tells the whole story.

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