

# NEWS OF THE SPORT WORLD

## RED SOX CUT DOWN WHITE SOX'S LEAD

### Brooklyn Takes a 22-Inning Game From the Pirates. New Record.

By winning the final game of the series by a score of 3 to 1 yesterday the Boston Red Sox cut down the lead of the Chicago White Sox to two games. Through the victory the Bostonites broke even on the series.

Claude Williams, who pitched for the White Sox, was unsteady and gave way to Danforth after the bases were filled in the seventh inning. Boston then proceeded to bunch hits and with the aid of some erratic playing clinched the game.

The Red Sox scored their first run in the second inning when John Collins lost Scott's fly in the sun and allowed it to go for a double, which scored Hooper, who had reached second on a walk and a sacrifice.

Leonard pitched a steady game and was given fine support. Chicago made its lone run in the fifth inning. After two men had been retired, Hibers grounded to Scott, who threw wild to first and Hibers reached second. He scored on Schalk's single.

Washington and St. Louis broke even in a doubleheader and Cleveland made a clean sweep of the series with the Philadelphia Athletics. Detroit handed a shut-out to the New York Yankees.

In a 22-inning game, the longest ever played in the National league, Brooklyn defeated Pittsburgh 4 to 3. The longest game heretofore was 21 innings played by the New York Giants and the Pirates in 1914. Each team yesterday made four errors. Brooklyn made 23 hits and the Pirates hit safely 19 times.

Brooklyn knocked Cooper out of the box in seven innings. Jacobs finished the game. Cadore was knocked out in five innings. Cheney pitched to the twenty-first and Marquard finished.

The Boston Braves took the final game of the series from St. Louis. Pitcher Alexander of Philadelphia let the Chicago Cubs down with 7 hits and shut them out 5 to 0.

The Cincinnati Reds were blanked by the New York Giants. Benton held the Reds to four scattered hits.

## POOR PITCHING BLOCKS WAY OF DETROIT TEAM

### Tigers Feel Need of Reliable Pitching Staff More Than Ever.

Poor pitching is almost an insurmountable handicap to any club. An otherwise great team never is able to prove its undoubted ability if the pitching corps is below the average. This is an axiom in baseball that requires no demonstrable proof. For the last five or six years a mediocre pitching staff has been the handicap which Hugh Jennings found insurmountable in his efforts to give Detroit a winning team. Periodically one of the Tiger twirlers turns in a game so superior to the usual efforts of the staff as a whole that it makes their work day in and out look like a bunch of minor leaguers. Occasionally Daus and Roland show such a flash as each did in the recent eastern trip of the Tigers, but on the whole it is the inferior work of the pitchers that is responsible for most of the reverses charged to the account of the Detroit team. A team of undoubted hitting ability, a fine fielding combination and well managed, it has failed to land at the top for several years past solely for the reason that its pitchers have not been able to hold up their end of the work.

In 1915 and last year Harry Coveleskie, who was developed by Billy Murray, when the latter managed the Phillies, was Manager Jennings' sole mainstay in the box. Had one other twirler been able to deliver the Coveleskie brand in these years Detroit would have made a gallant fight for the championship. This year the veteran has not demonstrated his form of last year and the year previous, and his failure is the principal reason why Detroit is so far down in the race that there is small chance that the Tigers will figure as contenders for the flag.

## M'GRAW'S RECEIPT IN BUILDING TEAM

### Kale Seems to Be Basis for Making Pennant Contenders in Big Yard.

New York, Aug. 22.—A system of picking green young pastimers from the bush and developing them into big league stars may be followed by other major league managers as far as they like, but John McGraw has other ideas as to the building up of championship baseball teams.

Kale (sometimes called money in banking circles) is the basis of John's receipt for developing a pennant grabbing combination. The other main top calls are welcome to the McGraw share of trying to stuff bush league birds with big league dressing. John wants none of it.

"We can't get players," a stock phrase of the majority of the managers, is not to be found in the McGraw vocabulary. When the New York pilot needs a past-timer he doesn't beat it to the sticks to give the once again top calls to the hickory league. Nothing like that for "the little Napoleon."

All he does is to jam three or four hundred thousand dollars in his sock and single it to the owner of the owner of a regular big time player who would fit in nicely with the Giants. Piling about four pounds of pure mazzuma before the bulging eyes of said owner, John says, "Give me So-and-So."

Now So-and-So is a star. John knows it, the owner knows it, everybody knows it. The owner also knows that he is going to weaken his own outfit by selling the star performer. But what can he do? There's the money right before him, and it's as pretty a lot of coin as ever left the mint.

The result is always the same. John and the owner exchange a few pleasant-tries on the high cost of past-timing, and So-and-So joins the Giants' lineup.

No fault is to be found with McGraw for his method of gathering in the live ones. On the contrary, you have to hand it to him for his ability to put over the clever stuff in gratifying his ambition to furnish New York with a winner.

Looking over the regular line-up of today it is found that Burns, Robertson, Holke, Fletcher, Schupp and Tesreau came up from the minors to New York, while Benny Kauff and Lew McKeen were tried and true big timers before joining the present National league high fliers.

Helmie Zimmerman was a star with the Cubs, and Henry Kauer, a former Yankee, was the sensation of the Federal league. Buck Herzog had past-timed brilliantly with the Boston Braves and Cincinnati Reds. George Gibson was Pittsburgh's star backstop for years, while Bill Sheridan was at one time the Braves' leading catcher.

Hans Loberl starred for years with Cincinnati and Philadelphia. Joe Whillot and Benny Kauff were stars of the Carty came from the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Of the Giants' pitchers, Anderson saw service in Cincinnati and in the Federal league. Benton was with Cleveland, Frit and Sallee are former St. Louis stars, and Demaree twirled for Philadelphia and Chicago.

One thing, perhaps, that made John's work a little easier in grabbing these top-liners is the supposed deep-dyed hunch in National league circles that Gotham must have a winner if the league is to stay continuous prosperly. This may or may not be a fact. If it is true, however, the name of Zeb Sprouts has the American league "got by."

If the success of the junior league had depended upon having a championship outfit in New York, Ban Johnson and the remainder of the A. L. powers would have had to go to work long ago. There never has been such an article as American league champions in Manhattan. And yet the records indicate that the Johnson circuit has had it on the National league for quite some spell, in past-timing, attendance and championships.

## SPORT GOSSIP

Johnny Dundee, the New York lightweight, easily outpointed Johnny Mesley in their six round bout at Philadelphia last night. Dundee was given credit for having the best of every round but the first.

Adolph Schinke, the former Butte pitcher and who earned a regular berth with the Salt Lake team after the Northwestern league went to the wall this summer, has been drafted. He passed the examination and has offered no exemption claims.

Ralph Frary, who was left high and dry when the Northwestern league tide went out in July, has got a job, according to reports. Frary will umpire in the Northwest and will report the first of next week for duty. He should make good as he is about the best in his line ever seen in the Northwestern circuit. Frary of recent years has been making his home in Butte.

Princeton announces it has decided to pass up football this year. A lot of persons have been contending football was passed up there three or four years ago.

However, one shouldn't be too harsh with Princeton's football. The school, living in the good old Presbyterian doctrine of predestination, what is the use of playing a game if the result has been fixed up beforehand?

Whatever else may be said about the lowly Pittsburgh Pirates they are at least "getting their wind" under Hugo Bezdek's direction. Yesterday they trotted about for 22 innings before the National league champs could take their measure. Becoming regular marathons, as it were.

Single G. Fred Jamieson's pacer, by Anderson Wilkes, yesterday at Philadelphia suffered his first defeat of the season when he was beaten by Miss Harris M. in three straight heats in the free-for-all pace, the feature event of the third day's card of the Grand Circuit meeting. The third heat was stepped in 2:02 1/2, a new track record.

Incidentally that game at Brooklyn yesterday established a new record for the National league. A peculiar coincidence is that when the former record of 21 innings was made in 1914 the Pirates played against the Giants.

Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul and George Chip of New Castle, Pa., light heavyweights, boxed 10 rounds at St. Paul last night. Gibbons, according to the press dispatches, had the best of the entire mill when he was beaten by the former champion never was able to get through his defense and for a couple of rounds the last from New Castle had to take some stiff punishment from one man who has been recently rejected by the draft exemption board for "physical unfitness."

HOSPITAL NOTE.

Ed Walsh, pitcher for the Boston Braves and one-time famous spitball artist of the White Sox, was knocked insensible by a pitched ball in the second inning yesterday in a game against St. Louis. The ball also, it is said, was busted. Shameful waste of perfectly good horse-hite.

## STANDING OF THE CLUBS

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	74	46	.617
Boston	70	48	.593
Cleveland	66	54	.551
Detroit	61	57	.517
New York	55	59	.483
Washington	54	61	.468
St. Louis	46	73	.387
Philadelphia	42	79	.347

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	80	48	.625
Philadelphia	80	48	.625
St. Louis	61	55	.522
Cincinnati	53	58	.475
Chicago	52	58	.472
Brooklyn	54	68	.442
Boston	47	69	.409
Pittsburg	38	77	.329

### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Indianapolis	72	54	.571
Louisville	72	54	.571
St. Paul	69	53	.566
Columbus	66	55	.546
Kansas City	55	62	.470
Milwaukee	52	62	.454
Minneapolis	54	71	.432
Toledo	43	75	.356

### PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
San Francisco	78	63	.553
Salt Lake	69	64	.519
Los Angeles	70	69	.504
Portland	64	65	.493
Oakland	67	72	.482
Vernon	63	75	.456

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Club	R	H	E
At Chicago	5	12	3
Boston	1	1	1
Chicago	3	11	2
Batteries—Leonard and Agnew; Williams, Danforth, Faber and Schalk.			
At St. Louis—Second game: R. H. E.			
Washington	4	6	7
St. Louis	3	9	0
Batteries—Dumont, Gallia and Almsmith; Davenport and Severid.			

### National League.

Club	R	H	E
At Brooklyn—First game: R. H. E.			
Pittsburg	4	11	4
Brooklyn	6	25	4
Batteries—Cooper, Jacobs and W. Wagner; Schmidt, Cadore, Cheney, Marquard and Miller.			
At Philadelphia— R. H. E.			
Chicago	9	7	1
Philadelphia	5	11	1
Batteries—Prendergast, Hendrix and Elliott; Alexander and Kilfer.			

### Pacific Coast League.

Club	R	H	E
Vernon vs. Oakland 5			
Salt Lake vs. Los Angeles 2			
San Francisco 2, Portland 6.			

### American Association.

Club	R	H	E
Minneapolis 2-2, St. Paul 3-4.			

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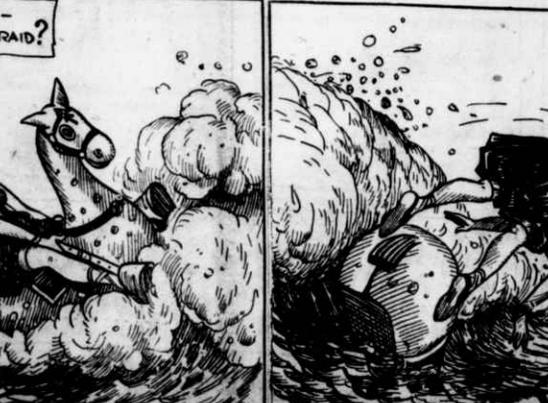


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## DANFORTH DISCOVERS BALL PERFECTED BY E. CIGOTTE

Eddie Cicotte, garage magnate and knuckle ball king, is elated. So is Danforth. "Ditto Cicotte" (Lefty) Williams. Danforth is "the Christopher Columbus who discovered the so-called shine ball, but Cicotte perfected it. Both have fooled the world with the delivery, which is half fact and half imagination, says a Chicago writer.

Robbing the old apple on the tunic was a trick supposed to have been discovered by Magician Danforth. Dave came up from the American association, where he was eminently successful with the delivery. He set Eddie Cicotte thinking, also practicing. If Dave could shine the ball and help his pitching, why couldn't Eddie?

Eddie did. So did Scott and others. There is no use denying that the shine ball has helped Cicotte. It has made him more effective because he has almost perfect control of the elusive pill, but Cicotte without the shine ball would have been a better pitcher this season than last. Eddie extracted avoidpoups via the hard labor route, tugging, pulling and hammering around his garage. He is in grand physical condition because he has taken the real antifat cure—hard and unremitting toil. (The psychological effect of the shine ball on the batsman has helped Cicotte.

The most cheering thing for Chicago fans and the real cause of Cicotte's elation is this: The shine ball is legal.

President Ban Johnson has examined so many baseballs that were alleged to have been doctored that his head at times has pained from lamping 'em and Big Ban on each occasion has decided that there is nothing illegal about the shine ball. Legislation against rubbing a ball on the uniform would be nonsensical as long as pitchers are permitted to moisten the leather for the spitball.

Manager Lee Fohl of the Indians contends that Cicotte uses a waxy substance with which he raises the seam on one side of the ball, but that by the time the sphere is on exhibition before President Johnson it dries out. He claims that discoloration of the balls so that they resemble Joseph's coat of many colors is caused.

There will be no legislation on the so-called shine ball this season. It is doubtful whether the simple process of rubbing the ball on the uniform will ever be under the law.

The cry from certain teams, notably the Cleveland club, on the shine ball is simply an outburst of a defeated team in its hunt for a flag.

The shine ball may be sent to the scrap heap, but if it is, a lot of other deliveries will go along with it. The spitball, in that event, would have to go and the game would revert to the simple curve and fast one.

Do baseball fans want to see a game in which the pitcher huris two simple deliveries with possibly a couple of variations?

Other pitchers have a right to use the so-called shine ball. There is no copyright on the ball, so far as rubbing it on the uniform is concerned. That is why players like Fritz Coumbe and Ernest Shore are wasting time on the coaching lines harping about the delivery. It has been declared legal and it will stand for this season.

When Shaw pitched against the White Sox in Washington, Happy Felch noticed the ball take a sail before it reached the plate. Hap declares he missed the ball by a foot. He asked to see the ball. "That ball was shined by Cicotte," said a Washington player. Eddie happened to be pitching against Shaw on that day and this was supposed to be the same ball that Cicotte had pitched.

Over in Cleveland Kid Gleason, who takes the protests on the shine ball as a joke, staged a little burlesque for the benefit of the Cleveland scribes who have harped so much about the delivery. He topped the game to send a handkerchief out to McMullin, who relayed it to Cicotte.

"Wonder what dope's in that rag?" piped a Cleveland scribe.

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## CHIEF BENDER'S COMEBACK HAS PERMANENT LOOK

When Big Chief Bender, the wild Indian twirler, blanked the Pirates with three hits in the first game of a doubleheader, it was his third consecutive victory and second shutout conquest of the week. The former Mack star had everything, just as he did when he shut out the Braves in Boston 3 to 0, allowing but four hits. Bender's record since he was beaten in St. Louis July 31 follows:

August 6—Beat Cubs in Chicago, 6-2, allowing 6 hits.

August 13—Beat Braves in Boston, 3-0, allowing 4 hits.

August 17—Beat Pirates 3-0, allowing 3 hits.

August 21—Beat Cubs 6 to 0, allowing 1 hit.

## IOWA MAN WINNER TRAPSHOOTING

Chicago, Aug. 22.—While a lot of targets from eighteen yards were shot by Randolph, Iowa, was the winner today at the preliminary event in the Grand American trapshooting tournament in progress here yesterday by H. D. Gibbs of Chicago, who broke 47 in a preliminary handicap, started with 27, went over until he had 47, and Peterson of Randall, Ia., with a score of 99.

## ANOTHER ENTERTAINMENT

Bernard B. Robinson, the city's having failed to pass physical examination, returned to the city some time ago. The word received by the city was that the boy's parents yesterday