

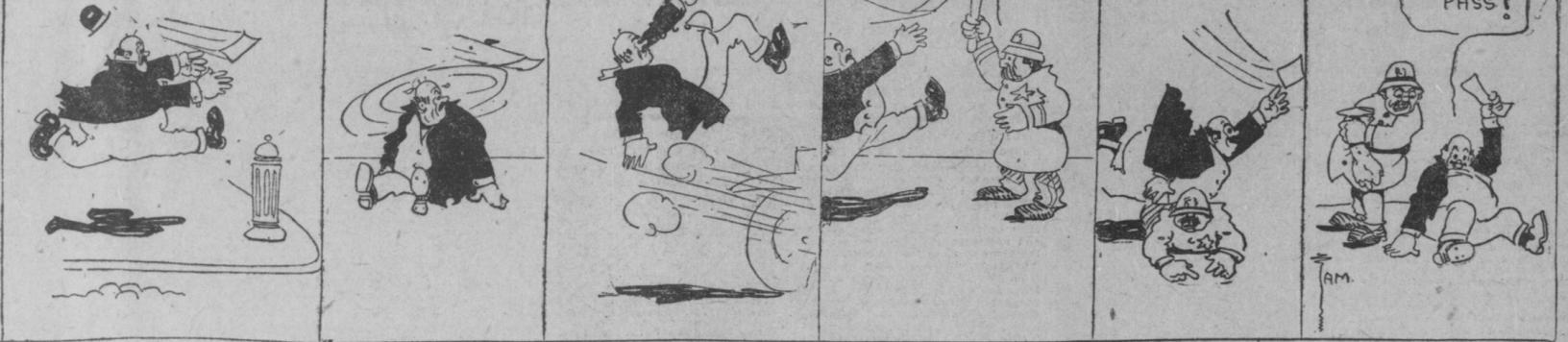
American Figures Broken in Assistance Race

JO BIFF RUNS AMUCK WITH THE WIND WHICH NEARLY SUCCEEDS IN BLOWING OUT WITH HIS BASEBALL PASS

DID I LOSE IT ALREADY?

IN THE NAME OF THE LAW, STOP!

MY BASEBALL PASS!



MAJOR LEAGUE TEAMS READY FOR STRUGGLE

Fans All Over the Country Anxiously Await Thrilling Cry of "Play Ball!"

PHILADELPHIA, April 9.—Full of the spirit that carried them to baseball glory last fall, the world's champions will open the American league season at Shibe park Wednesday, April 12, with New York.

For the first time since the American league has been organized the Philadelphia representatives in that circuit will start the season with a "standpat" team.

The only position in doubt is left field. Connie Mack had picked Bill Hogan from California to fill the place, but the manager now says he will have to play better ball than that shown by Amos Strunk if he wants the job.

The Philadelphia pitching staff, one of the strongest in the league, has been strengthened by the addition of "Lefty" Russell, Bender, Coombs, Plank and Krause are in shape for the opening of the season. It is expected that the Indian will open the season against the New Yorks.

Chicago Team Almost Intact

CHICAGO, April 9.—The Chicago team, champions of the National league, will open the season here Wednesday with St. Louis.

Manager Chance believes Chicago will again win the pennant, but in the same breath names New York as the most formidable contender. The team is in splendid condition and is almost the same that never before prostrated. Heinie Zimmerman has been picked to fill third.

Chance is planning his faith to Pitcher Mordecai Brown, Reulbach and Pfeiffer, the veterans, are going at top speed.

Six new players have been added to the club and four may be retained. They are Shealy, a utility player, Jerry Sailer, a first baseman, and Ball, an outfielder. It is probable Reulbach will oppose St. Louis in the opening game, with Kling behind the bat.

New Yorkers in Fine Shape

NEW YORK, April 9.—There has been interest in the training game Wednesday, when a line can be had on the New York Nationals in their clash with the Philadelphia Athletics.

The Brooklyn club will make its debut over next Saturday on the New York Nationals, ground manager McGraw said.

McGraw said he never before prostrated a team from spring practice in such excellent shape.

Pitcher Mathewson has a sore finger on his left hand, and probably Ames or Raymond will be on the hurling mound at the opening event.

Browns Not in Form

ST. LOUIS, April 9.—All is in readiness for the opening of the major league baseball season Wednesday, when the local American league team will play with Cleveland.

Rhoderick Wallace, shortstop for a number of years, will have his first experience in the major league with the Americans. The team, after being under an option, is still owned by R. H. Rodgers. It is generally admitted that the Americans are not in condition.

Detroit on Edge

DETROIT, April 9.—Detroit of the American league has Wednesday the opening game here Wednesday.

Manager Jennings says the squad left Monday for the training game in splendid shape that all the regulars will start the season in good condition.

According to President Nevin and Manager Jennings, Walter Schaller will be retained as substitute outfielder. Gainer will be on first base in the first game.

Sensors Take On Boston

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The Washington club of the American league will inaugurate the season Wednesday next Wednesday with the Boston team as its opponent.

New steel and concrete stands have replaced the ancient wooden stands, and accommodations for 12,000 persons will be available. When the new plant is completed it will have a capacity of 15,000. The cost will approximate \$150,000.

The Washington team, minus Walter Johnson, who refused to sign a contract for a salary of less than \$7,500 a year, returned to the spring training camp at Atlanta.

Cincinnati Has Sick List

CINCINNATI, April 9.—In case fair weather heralds the National league baseball season here next Wednesday, there is hardly a doubt that League park will receive more patrons than on any previous opening day. Baseball is at fever heat, caused, possibly by the many predictions by baseball writers that Cincinnati will finish one, two, three in this year's race.

Pittsburg Is Speedy

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 9.—Pittsburg will open the season on Wednesday at Cincinnati, as far as physical condition goes, Clark's men should have a shade of advantage over their opponents. It is asserted here that if the Pittsburgh players show the speed they have uncovered at Hot Springs and in the exhibition games, they will put up a pennant winning article of baseball.

DUCKS AGAIN FAIL TO ANNEX SERIES

Villagers Score Tie in Morning Game and Win Out in the Afternoon

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

LOS ANGELES, April 9.—Portland had a narrow escape from a double defeat and the loss of the series to Vernon today, when a batting rally in the ninth inning of the morning game enabled them to get a tie score of 9 to 9. The time limit was at hand when the ninth was finished and Empire Hillbeard called the game.

In the afternoon Roy Hitt was in rare form, holding the Beavers to four hits and one run, while the Villagers pounded Archer and Fullerton for eight hits and five runs. This leaves the series tied up at three victories each and one drawn game.

The Beavers have played two weeks here, and leave for Oakland very much displeased at their showing. The Angels took the series from them, four to three, and when it seemed that they would even up at the expense of Vernon the Villagers recovered their form and held them to a draw.

The morning game was an exciting slugfest and was loosely played on both sides. Hogan selected Willett to do the tossing for Vernon and he lasted almost five innings, when Stewart relieved him. Stewart did not allow a hit until the ninth, when the Beavers soaked him for five, netting four runs.

McCredie sent Fullerton first to the firing line, but he struck only a third of an inning, when Arlett took his place. Arlett was driven off the slab by the fourth hit and Stewart was substituted. Vernon had so much fun with him that McCredie removed him in the ninth, after he had walked Stinson. Stinson finished the game and was replaced by Just like the other.

Vernon got five hits and four runs in the first round, scored again in the third, another in the fifth and three in the ninth. Portland got to Willett in the third for a hit and a run and tied the score in the fourth with five hits and four runs. Stewart held them hitless and runless until the ninth, when five hits netted four runs.

At the start of the last half of the ninth, the score stood 9 to 6 in favor of Portland, but Vernon tied the score by shooting three men over the pan.

The afternoon game was the one sided to be interesting. Hitt being too good for the Beaver sluggers. He would have scored a whitewash only for a bad bound of the ball on a return by Ross to catch Chabourne with the plate. Vernon took two hits in the third when they touched Archer for three hits, two of them being triples, that netted two runs. McDonnell led off with a triple to left and scored on J. Sheehan's long fly to center. Hitt fouled to Rapps and Carlisle tripled to right. Ross laid down a bunt toward third and Carlisle scored.

With one out in the fourth, Coy doubled to left and scored on Patterson's single to center. Hitt singled to center in the fifth, took second on Carlisle's sacrifice and scored on Rapps' bunt. Rapps muffed the throw but recovered it in time to return it to the plate to catch Hitt, who was trying to score from second, but Hitt fouled everybody by making a rolling slide and registered as the dumfounded Kuhn was trying to put the ball on him. Hitt made the greatest slide to the plate ever pulled off here, actually rolling for ten feet to get to the plate and continuing to roll for another 10 feet after scoring. He looked like a big steam roller running away. Vernon made his last score in the eighth with two down. Ross was slugged with the ball, stole second and scored on Coy's single to left.

The only tally registered by Portland came in the fourth as the result of a bad bound. Chabourne led off with a single to center, got to second on a sacrifice by Ryan and scored from second on Sheehan's drive to left. Ross fielded the briefest peg of what looked to be a perfect return to

Stern Rule Robs Athletes of Cups

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, April 9.—Because the southern educational authorities have a rule against their schools competing for prizes outside of their own city, the Los Angeles high school athletes will not be allowed to accept the handsome prizes which they won in the interscholastic meet on Saturday. This rule was made some time ago, and unless something unforeseen happens it will not be changed now. Although Los Angeles won the prizes on its merits, the first place trophy probably will go to Orange high and the relay trophy to San Jose high, the schools to finish second in these events.

the plate for an easy out. As the ball struck the ground inside the diamond took an ugly bound and went over Catcher Sheehan's head, allowing Chadbourne to score.

Hitt never showed much better form than he exhibited today. He allowed only four hits and these were bunched on him in only one round, the fourth when two were made. He gave only one base on balls and struck out eight Beavers.

MORNING GAME

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Ross, 1. f.	4	0	2	1	0	0
Fullerton, 2. c.	3	0	2	1	0	0
Stinson, c. f.	3	1	2	0	0	0
Brashear, 2b.	4	2	3	0	4	0
Coy, 1. b.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Patterson, 1b.	4	1	2	15	1	0
McDonnell, ss.	5	1	3	4	4	0
Brown, c.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Willett, p.	2	0	1	1	4	0
Stewart, p.	1	0	0	0	0	0
*Davis, p.	1	0	0	0	0	0
*Hoop, p.	1	0	1	0	0	0
Total	39	5	15	27	17	4

PORTLAND

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Chabourne, r. f.	3	1	1	0	0	0
Ryan, c. f.	2	1	1	0	0	0
Kroeger, 1. f.	4	2	2	0	1	0
Hodgers, 2b.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Rapps, 1b.	4	0	1	15	0	0
Peckinpach, ss.	5	2	3	1	5	1
Fullerton, p.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Archer, p.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kuhn, c.	3	0	0	4	0	0
Stewart, p.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Seaton, p.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	41	9	14	27	14	3

RUNS AND HITS BY INNINGS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Beavers	0	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	5
Portland	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beavers	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	5

SUMMARY

Stolen bases—Ross 1, Brashear 1, Hitt made off Fullerton 2, Archer 1, McCredie 1, Willett 2, Steep 5, off Seaton 2, Home run—McDonnell, Ryan, Rapps, 2b., Peckinpach, Patterson, Hodgers, 2b., by Hitt. First base on balls—Off Fullerton 13, by Arlett, 3.23, by Willett 2, by Hitt 1. First base on called balls—Off Arlett 1, off Steep 2, by Fullerton 1, off Seaton 1, struck out—By Fullerton 1, by Archer 2, by Steep 2, by Willett 1, by Patterson 1, by Seaton 1. Double plays—Sheehan to Peckinpach to Rapps, Willett to Willett, Fassed Fullerton, Chadbourne by Willett. Time of game—1 hour and 15 minutes. Umpire—Hillbeard.

AFTERNOON GAME

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Carlisle, c. f.	3	1	2	0	0	0
Ross, 1. f.	3	0	2	0	0	0
Brashear, 2b.	3	0	1	1	0	0
Coy, 1. b.	4	1	2	1	0	0
McDonnell, 1b.	3	0	1	12	1	0
Peckinpach, ss.	3	0	0	1	0	0
Fullerton, p.	2	0	0	1	0	0
Hitt, p.	1	0	1	1	0	0
Total	28	5	12	17	12	2

PORTLAND

	AB.	R.	H.	PO.	A.	E.
Chabourne, r. f.	4	1	2	0	0	0
Ryan, c. f.	3	0	3	0	0	0
Kroeger, 1. f.	4	2	1	0	0	0
Hodgers, 2b.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Rapps, 1b.	4	0	1	15	0	0
Peckinpach, ss.	5	0	0	1	1	0
Fullerton, p.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Archer, p.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kuhn, c.	3	0	0	4	2	0
Stewart, p.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Seaton, p.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	39	1	4	19	1	0

RUNS AND HITS BY INNINGS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Beavers	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	5
Portland	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Beavers	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	3

SUMMARY

Stolen bases—Ross 1, Three base hits—McDonnell, Carlisle, Two base hit—Coy, Sacrifice hits—J. Sheehan, Carlisle, Ryan, Brashear, First base on called balls—Off Fullerton 2, off Hitt 1, Struck out—By Archer 1, by Hitt 8, by Fullerton 2, Double plays—Kroeger to Rapps, Hitt to pitcher ball—Ross by Fullerton, Time of game—1 hour and 35 minutes. Umpire—Hillbeard.

Tennis Finals Reached in Park Tourney

The Golden Gate tennis club completed the handicap doubles tournament to the finals yesterday. Bob Whitney, who, with Fred Adams as a partner, had reached the semifinals, left for Japan last week and consequently their match with Ambrose and Martin went to the latter team by default.

The only match played therefore, was won by Foley and Haas from Sparrowe and Ross, the remaining teams in the semifinals. In their match yesterday with Sparrowe and Ross, two of the lower classmen, Foley and Haas allowed the handicap of one 30 and give 15-6 and they won in straight sets without any trouble. The final score was 6-3, 6-1.

The finals will be played next Sunday at 11 o'clock. Foley and Ross will be opposed to Ambrose and Martin and Whitney, who, with Fred Adams as a partner, had reached the semifinals, left for Japan last week and consequently their match with Ambrose and Martin went to the latter team by default.

PILOTAGE RATES MAY BE REDUCED

San Pedro's Reorganized Harbor Commission Hopes to Cut Fees in Half

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SAN PEDRO, April 9.—That pilotage rates for San Pedro harbor may be cut in half or, at least greatly reduced, is the hope of the newly reorganized harbor commission, which held its first meeting Monday under the terms of the recently adopted charter amendment creating it and placing the harbor's control in its members' hands.

Under the old state law the pilotage fees ranged from \$300 to \$500, according to the size of the vessel, but the new plan permits Los Angeles to fix its own rates. This will be one of the duties of the harbor department of the city government.

Owing to San Pedro harbor being of easy access, it is probable that the pilotage fees will be cut and, ultimately eliminated, and pilots placed on a salary basis.

Licensed pilots, realizing that even if the charges are reduced a comfortable living can still be made by piloting ships into the harbor, have filed a number of applications for the positions with the harbor commission.

JAMESTOWN ENTRIES

JAMESTOWN, April 9.—Following are tomorrow's entries:
First race, five and a half furlongs, selling—Hudis, Sister 105, Baby Wolf 108, Wain Paterson 105, Noble 105, Kittery 105, Tactics 105, Ball 105, Naughty Rose 105, Maudie 105, Sixteen Eyes 110, July 112.

Second race, four and a half furlongs—Inwood 103, Masked 105, J. M. Miller 101, Bess 103, Naughty Rose 105, Maudie 105, Sixteen Eyes 110, July 112.

Third race, six furlongs, selling—Nova 95, Wain Paterson 105, Maudie 105, Sixteen Eyes 110, July 112, Appelle 90, Royal Lodge 95, Golden Buttercup 101, Atlantic 105, Mires 104, Michael Angelo 105, Hoffman 109, St. Paul 105, Maudie 105, Sixteen Eyes 110, Moneif 108, St. Joseph 113, John A. Munro 113, Takahira 118, Serventice 110, Lady Ryan 120, Melton Street 108.

Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth, selling—My Lord, Tom Milton 97, The Monk 97, Hildewine 99, Henry Munro 97, Frank Purcell 104, Sir Edward 106, Third Rail 104.

OFFICIAL HONORS BOSTON

BOSTON, April 9.—When Manager Fred Tenney leads his band of young stars to the field at Fenway park tomorrow afternoon for the first game of the season with the Brooklyn Nationals, it will be the first time the Washington team at Fenway since the team was sent to Boston by J. Lynch, who has chosen to honor Boston with his presence on that day.

After the experiment of taking a coast to coast trip for a season's training, the Boston Americans will arrive in Washington, and will not be seen in Boston until April 20.

According to general reports from the Redondo training camp, there is much uncertainty as to fixtures at first and third base.

EMERYVILLE BEATS BEATOLS 9 TO 1

EMERYVILLE, April 9.—Emeryville defeated the Beatols today by the decisive score of 9 to 1. The local hammer Sweeney had and played a fast all round game.

Emeryville's catcher, blocked base stealing to second, very cleverly, not losing a chance. The team has been so successful that it has acquired new grounds in Park avenue at Hollis street, where bleachers will be built and ready for all comers.

"STOCKING" CONROY DEAD

TROY, N. Y., April 9.—Thomas Francis Conroy, known in the sporting world as "Stocking" Conroy, died here tonight. Conroy was a heavy-weight and was knocked out by Tom Sharkey March 29, 1900, at Baltimore. This ended his pugilistic career.

VANDERBILT HORSE PLACED

PARIS, April 9.—W. K. Vanderbilt's Samplers finished second in the Prix des Maréchaux yesterday, selling race over the Longchamps course today.

GOOD OPPORTUNITIES IN CIVIL SERVICE

Examinations Will Be Held Here April 25

All Stars Defeat The Albion Rovers

OAKLAND, April 9.—The Albion Rovers, champions of the "Albion" Counties league, were defeated yesterday afternoon by an all star team selected from the other clubs in the league.

It was a hard fought battle, the all stars getting the verdict by the only goal of the game. The festivities took place at the Oak and Clemeat street grounds, Alameda, and attracted a big crowd.

Tommy McKiernan and Billy Attkin, former members of the Rovers, who deserted play with the Albions and Thistles, respectively, played in the all star team, played in their old colors yesterday in a game under the auspices of the outlaw league.

Muir Woods Road in Good Shape

Mill Valley Route to Marin Big Trees Fine for Auto Drive

By LEON J. PINKSON

J. W. Leavitt, head of the J. W. Leavitt company, coast representative of the Kiesel Kar and Overland automobiles, last week took Will H. Browne of the Overland company for a short tour into Marin county. Leavitt drove to Muir woods, and reports the road by way of Mill Valley to be in fine shape for touring.

He states that just now the trip is one that all motorists should take. There is a marked absence of dust that is so common later in the year and again, the trees are in their green and most attractive.

Browne was highly impressed with the trip into this scenic wonderland, and congratulates local motorists upon having such an attractive spot to visit within so short a distance from the city.

Roads to Monterey Fair—Motorists contemplating a run from this city to Del Monte, Monterey, Pacific Grove or Santa Cruz mountains for this season of the year is fair, but motorists should be careful in negotiating such a trip into this scenic wonderland, and congratulate local motorists upon having such an attractive spot to visit within so short a distance from the city.

Speedometer for Motor Trucks—General Manager McElligott of the local branch of the Motor Truck Instrument company has received word from the factory that a speedometer especially constructed for motor trucks is being turned out now. This instrument is constructed for use on both the heavy and light trucks. For the heavy trucks when the driver attains a speed of 15 miles an hour he is cautioned by a signal of the speedometer "One, a baby on the lighter vehicles the "slow" sign is arranged to appear when a speed of 30 miles is attained.

Supplies Off for Northwest—George Sutphen, blockman from the Columbia factory, who has been in San Francisco for the past few weeks making his headquarters at the United Motors San Francisco company, where he has been meeting Columbia owners, showing them how to take care of their cars, left yesterday for Portland and the northwest. He will be away several weeks and then return here prior to going back to the factory.

Trucks Being More Freely Used—C. S. Hildner, general manager of the Reliance automobile company, reports increased interest in the commercial vehicle department of the motor car industry. The Knox trucks that he has already received have been turned over to purchasers and he has several on route that he is anxiously awaiting.

Snow Prevents Mountain Touring—G. N. Buck, of New York, agent for Maxwell cars, reached the city yesterday in the hopes of securing a larger allotment of Maxwell cars for his territory. At Summit there is 30 feet of snow still on the ground. The winter touring was interrupted for many years. At Summit there is 30 feet of snow still on the ground. The winter touring was interrupted for many years. At Summit there is 30 feet of snow still on the ground. The winter touring was interrupted for many years.

Chapman After Cars—S. G. Chapman reports that the motor car demand already developed this season has him making instant call on the Oakland and Hupmobile factories for early shipments. Chapman unloaded a carload of machines Friday and expects seven other carloads en route for San Francisco.

NEW RECORD SET IN 24 HOUR AUTO RACE

Fiat and Cadillac Cars Make Over 1,400 Miles on Southern Motordrome

LOS ANGELES, April 9.—Driving an Italian Fiat of 60 horsepower, Valentine Hust and Frank Verbeck won the 24 hour race over the Playa del Rey motordrome today, piling up the remarkable score of 1,491 miles, an average of 62 1/4 miles per hour, breaking the American record of 1,353 miles, made by Foote and Paschke with a Stearns car at Brighton Beach August 20, last.

An American made Cadillac of 30 horsepower, driven by Adair and Baudette, was second with a score of 1,448 miles, an average of more than 60 miles per hour. Ten cars started the long grind at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, and seven finished.

The race was remarkable on account of freedom from tire trouble and accidents and because of the great mileage of the first and second cars. The race was the first of the kind to be run on a specially constructed speedway in America. The Brighton Beach course, on which the previous record was made, is a one mile dirt track used for horse racing, while the motordrome

here is a one mile board course with steep banking. The greatest score ever made by S. F. Edge with a Napier car over the Brooklands, Eng., speedway, 1907. Edge covered 1,550 miles, but it was a record trial and not a competition event.

The Cole made a good showing during the early hours of the race, but later had some trouble and was off the track for two hours during the race. The Fiat changed six tires and the Cadillac but four.

During the second hour the Cadillac got inside the Brighton Beach record and broke the marks up to the end of the fifth hour,