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ATHLETICS VS. BROOKLYN-WORK ON PUBLIC GOLF COURSE-MACK'S PENNANT OUTLOOK

BOTH BOSTON TEAMS PICKED TO WIN BASEBALL TITLES

"On Paper," Hub's Prospects Look Best-Better Season for Game Financially, and Better Sport for Fans Is Outlook-Shake-Ups Chief Cause of New Interest

This week it's baseball. The big league seasons open on Wednesday, and the fanm, already keyed up by the city series, are awaiting the tap of the gong which sets the 16 teams off in their race pennantward. The Phillies open away from home-with the champion Boston Braves. The Athletics start the fray with Carri-gan's Red Sox.

The outlook for the season is decidedly better than at this time last year. The Federal League now is considered a matter of course; not that its success is assured, by any means, but the mind of the sports public is at rest on the war. The fans are not at all interested in what Judge Landis may have to say when the spirit moves him, or what threats Ban Johnson may make and the hot-shot replies that are certain to come from Mr. Gilmore. The problem, or the war, which ever it is, will work itself out, and the fans are standing by, virtually unin-terested mentators. terested spectators.

. Tide of Popularity on the Flood

The principal reason for the revival of interest is the alump of last year. Popu-larity is like ocean waves. This year the tide will be on the flood. It was decidedly on the ebb last season, as the financial side of the game shows. Then, too, the fans were disgusted with the mercenary aspect that was revealed in the dispositions of both players and mercenary of both players and magnates.

of both players and magnates. A direct result of the dickering in dollars was the planting of a firm belief that the game was not on the level. One fact more than any other to offset that belief was the everiasting lambasting that the Boston Braves gave the Athletics in the now historic world's series of 1914. When baseball managements pass up the gate receipts of three possible throng-jamming games it is fairly good testimony that there was no frame-up. Confidence has been restored. Another argument for a better season this year is the unusual shake-up along the whole line. There are new managess and new players. Scores of veterans have been let out, and the youngsters are in their places. The fans have some-thing new to look for, and they will be at the parks to see it. Philadelphians are keen to see whether or not Bancroft is another Mike Doolan, whether Lajole is any-thing like Collins, whether King Kopf can make them forget Baker, and whether or not Pat Moran can make his men play a game as if they expected and wanted not Pat Moran can make his men play a game as if they expected and wanted

Picking the Winners

Connie Mack does not predict a pennant for his team. Clarke Griffith has a monopoly on that spring pastime. But Mack knows his team will be well up in the race. So do others. Shortly after spring practice began we predicted, on the basis of paper dope (the reliability of which has been proved in the past, certainly), that the Athletics would finish second. There is no reason at this stage to alter that forecast. As viewed now the pennant race looks somewhat like this:

American League,		National Leagu
	Beston	Boston
	Philadelphia	New York
	Chicago	Philles
	Washington	Chicago
	St. Louis	St. Louis
	Detroit	Brooklyn
	New York	Pittsburgh
	Cleveland	Cincinnati

There is the best chance in the world that Moran's club will beat out the Giants-it is a chance. Also there is a chance that McGraw's rebuilt team will forge ahead of the scrappy Boston Braves. But that is the dope now. The office lad insists that he did not raise his boy to be a soldier. We believe it in fact we are convinced of it. And now, it only his sister Susle would stop

it. In fact, we are convinced of it. And now, if only his sister Susle would stop sowing shirts for soldiers life would be sweet, since baseball is here again.

It is a little surprising to note the credence given Sam McVey's yarns about a frame-up in the Johnson-Willard fight. McVey's ring record gives him very poor standing in the pugilistic world. In fact, his name is not in the "blue book." Jack Johnson fought the fight of his life for one hour and is minutes. If he had Jack Johnson fought the used arlier.

The money is beginning to flow into the Willard coffers. Approximately \$\$000 for spasmodic appearances for three days is not bad. Today he begins a \$5000-a-week contract with Hammerstein. In sight are contracts for more than \$1,600,000. It looks easy. But it must not be forgotten that years have been spent in prep-aration to receive this flow of gold. Still, a teacher of moral philomophy spends some twenty-odd years preparing to receive a salary of \$5000 a year.

Lee Magee Gets Bad Start As Fed Manager

Lee Magee's initial appearance as Brooklyn Federal manager but auspicious. The peppery leader was chased from the game for attempting to act as player, manager, groundkeeper and umpire. In addition, he "pulled a bone" in substitution of players in the line-up that most likely will cost him Saturday's victory. The one bright spot in the Brookfeds' game Saturday was the home run of Bennie Kauff.

Bethlehem Favorite for Soccer Title

Bethlehem Favorite for Soccer Title Broklyn Celtics' victory over the J. & P. Coats eleven at New Bedford on Saturday in the semifinal round of the National Soccer Cup competition gives them the right to meet Bethlehem in the final, Bethlehem having reached that stage of the competition by its defeat of Homestead on Easter Monday. The outcome of this match, which will be played on April 24, will be watched with interest. Itswill be remembered that Brooklyn Celtics disposed of Bethlehem in the semifinal for the American Cup several weeks ago, although critics who had previously seen both teams in action admitted that Bethlehem was the better eleven. Thus was the uncertainty of soccer well demonstrated. The Steelworkers should win from the Celts in this game, if for no other reason than to prove that they are the better combination. That they will be the favorites despite their earlier defeat there can be no gainsaying.

BERT NIEHOFF, PHILLIES' SECOND BASEMAN



In the ex-Red, Pat Moran has a fast infielder and a strong batsman. While a little green at the keystone station, Niehoff is rapidly rounding into form and is beginning to move in machine-like precision with his side parner, Bancroft, at short.

CLUB THAT BEATS "A" SURE TO WIN PENNANT, **AVERS CONNIE MACK**

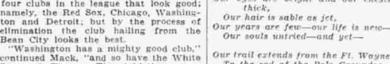
Athletics' Chief Makes No Predictions, but Has Confidence in Pets-Picks Boston as Probably the Strongest of Opponents.

"The club that beats the Athletics will win the pennant this year," said Connie Mack yesterday in an interview with a reporter of the EVENING LEDGER. "I do not like to make predictions at this stage of the game, but the fans do not want to be apprehensive about the gaps left by Baker and Collins," continued the manager.

the manager. "In Bostock and Crane, two recruits, and Lajole ready to throw into the fray, the Athletics will be well fortified in the infield.

"It must be taken into consideration that both Bostock and Crane, playing at second and short, respectively, are making their first appearance in major league baseball, but with a little time in the big gama they will fill the shoes of both Baker and Collins. When asked which looked to be the

ost difficult club to beat, the leader re-"I would say that there are at least four clubs in the lengue that look good; namely, the Red Sox, Chicago, Washing-ton and Detroit; but by the process of elimination the club hailing from the Bean City looks the best.





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The Meaning of Wednesday

It's a soggy interval-for those who write and those who read-the rickety 'thing of beauty and a joy for even six nonths.

So the arrival of the Box Score and the Standing of the Clubs-relieving Fancy with Fact-is well worth a fusiliade of cheers from those more closely enmeshed. There is no great buoyancy in dabbing able, To the blazing glow of the game's big with dope that is buried under six inche of snow and ice.

The Wreckage

I knew him when his smile was keen. A merry pal to all around him; knew him when he stayed serve No matter in what luck you found him; Back when he hurdled trouble's store With cheering laughter, all enticing; But that was several weeks before He started slicing.

knew him when he never biffed His loving spouse upon the cycball knew him when he'd never drift To drowning sorrow with a highball; Back when his laughter was a roar Of bouyant clamor, all sufficing;

O'BRIEN VS. MOORE AT OLYMPIA TONIGHT

Southwark Hard Hitter Fights ex-Champ's Brother-Clever Bantamweight in Semifinal.

Little Jack O'Brien, brother of the onetime cleverest heavyweight in the world, will make his return appearance for some time, when he tonight answers the gong against Willie Moore, hard-hitting Southwark fighter, at the Olympia A. A. A great bantamweight fight is promised in the semi-final when Barney Schneider, Canadian bantam champion, and Lew Tendier, newsboy title holder, clash. The program follows:

The program follows: First bout-Frankis White, Southwark, vs. Leo Vincent, Southwark, Second bout-Harry Falmer, Pittsburgh, vs. Sammy Decker, West Fulladelphia, Third bout-Harles McAndrews Manayunk, vs. Jimmy Murphy, West Fulladelphia, Semiwindup-Datawark, whether, Canada, vs. Lew Tendler, Southwark, Windip-Your Southwark, Windip-Young Jack O'Heirn, West Phila-delphia, vs. Willie Moore, Southwark,

Frank Poley, who has returned to the oxing game as manager of Willie Houck, boxing game as manager of Wille Houck, of Mt. Airy, wants to match his protege with Jack Welling, of Chicago. The lat-ter is heraided as a coming lightweight champion. He is under the management of Larney Lichtenstein, adviser of Jimmy Clabby. Houck's first fight under Foley was his 32-second knockout victory over Charley Turner. Charley Turner.

Charley Turner. Billy McCarney, who handed out some pretty good dope previous to the Jack Johnson-Jess Willard fight, says the for-mer champion's declaration that he will not fight again is all bunk. McCarney says Johnson is signed up for a battle with any heavyweight Peggy Bettinson, of London, may select for him. Carl Morris, originator of the now de-molished White Hope division, has been offered two dates in London with Frank Moran and Bombardier Wells, according to McCarney. Bill also says Mike Gib-bons and Georges Carpentier, the French-man, may box in London in the near future. future.

A report comes flittering Philadelphia-ward from Chicago to the effect that Jack Hennessy, a stockyard heavyweight, 6 feet 6 inches, wants a crack at Jess Willard.

lard. Promoter Billy Nusbickel and Match-maker Billy Walsh are planning another elimination amateur tournament at the Quaker City A. A. April 25. The winners of the different classes then will be given a chance to show in professional ranks. Eddle Revoire has two bouts on thia week. He meets Jack McCarron at the Palace Athletic Club, of Norristown, to-morrow night, and on Thursday night the 18th Warder is acheduled for a go with 18th Warder is scheduled for a go with Jackle Clark at Allentown.

Since suffering his knockout at the left book of Charley White, Sam Robideau will make his first appearance in the ring when he tackles Walter Mohr, of Brooklyn, in a 12-round encounter at Bridgeport, Conn., April 22.

Negotiations are on for a bout between Little Harry Wagner, of North Penn, and Jimmy Murray, of New York, at the Quaker City Athletic Association Friday night. The following week Jackie Clark may meet the best welterweight avail-able.

MATTISON AND JACOBS FARMED OUT BY MORAN

Phillies Cut Squad to 21 Players. Bud Weiser Retained.

WORK ON GOLF COURSE FOR PUBLIC BEGUN: TOURNEY AT SEAVIEW

Engineers Begin Task Today; Ready for Play in September-Tournament at Seaview This Week; Ouimet May Play.

Work on the public golf course in Cobb's Creek Fark began today under the direction of Chief Engineer Vodges, of the Park Commission. If present plans are carried through without a hitch, the course will be thrown open to the public

course will be thrown open to the public about the first of September. When completed, Philadelphia will have a public course the equal of any, and perhaps better than the majority. It will have a total length of 6290 yards, and a par of approximately 73. Most of the part is connection with the laying out

par of approximately 73. Most of the work in connection with the laying out of the course and the planning of the holes has been done by George C. Klau-der, Aronimink; A. H. Smith, Hunting-don Valley; Robert W. Lesley, president of the Golf Association of Philadelphia, and William Flynn, greenkeeper at the Merion Cricket Club.

Whether or not Sunday play will be permitted is a question that has not been decided, but as the majority of those who will use the course can do so only on Saturday afternoons, holidays and Sundays, it is to be hoped that the Park Commission, usually so very strict about matters of this kind, will make an exception in this case.

The season for fournament golf in this section of the country fets under way on Thursday of this week with the unique event announced by the Seaview Golf Club. For the first time in the history of the same in this country the high handicap golfers are catered to on a large scale.

This event, the qualifying round for which will take place on Thursday, fol-lowed by match play rounds on Friday and Saturday, is open only to membera of clubs affiliated with the U. S. G. A., having handicaps of 12 strokes or more, As close to 90 per cent. of the country's golfers are in that class, it can be readily seen that the tourney will have its appeal and that it will be a success goes with

out saying. Last fail the Huntingdon Valley Coun-Last fail the Huntingdon Valley Coun-try Club held a tournament for women with handicaps of 18 or over, but that was purely a local affair with an entry list of about 30 players. Seaview is the first organization to attempt an event of this kind on such a large scale, and to Clarence H. Geist and his merry asso-lates what so the could for adjustice clates must go the credit for originating something in golf.

One week from Thursday Seaview will be the scene of another tournament open to members of clubs affiliated with the U. S. G. A., regardless of handicaps. Unfortunately the dates conflict with the annual spring tournament of the Country Club of Lakewood. That does not make much difference for Seaview will attract all the local golfers and Lakewood will take care of those from the Metropolitan

district. Francis Ouimet may play at Seaview next week, for before he left there last Thursday he promised Mr. Geist that if it was at all possible he would take part in the tournament. If he decides to take the trip, he will be accompanied by his bosom friend, J. H. Sullivan, Jr., and W. Fred Occonnell, who completed the next district. Bud Weiser Retained. Maaager Moran, of the Phillies, has made his team selection for the year, cuting down his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster to the 21 limit, He will carry seven his roster a they are: Philtehers – Alexander, Mayer, Tincup, Oesch-ser, Demaree, Bauderus, Niehoff, Bancroft, Byrns, Riock and Engey. Outfielders – Becked, Whitted, Cravath, Pas-kert and Weiser. Moran will place Pitchers Mattison and within a forentia frain the differ Pitchers Mattison disposed of. A string is tied to most of them. He trip, He will be accomplated by He bosom friend, J. H. Sullivan, Jr., and W. Fred O'Connell, who completed the party hat the Absecon Club last week. To each other Outimet and Sullivan are the "Wild Irish-ing Frenchman" and those who know the pair are frank in admitting that their nicknames are appropriate. OLYMPIAA.A. Broad and Bainbridgs TONIGHT, AT 8:30 SHARP Adm. 25c. Bait. Res. 50c. Arena Res. 73c. SL

And side by side in the battle's tide We fought through a year's fatigue; Or hammered many a three-base hit, dope from October to April. Winter League baseball is far from being a Or whirled to a double-play, Our hearts were filled with the game that Careless we lived and careless we played,

CORNELL FOR ONCE DOESN'T EXPECT TO WIN

Serious Setback in Track Work. Outlook for Penn Meet Here Gloomy.

ITHACA, N. Y., April 12 .- The Cornell track team on Saturday began its attempt to gain another intercollegiate trophy cup. The first meet on the schedule will be the Pennsylvania relay carnival at Philadelphia on April 23 and 24. In addition to this contest, the Ithacans will meet Harvard at Cambridge and Pennsylvania at Ithaca

The track team faces a setback at the beginning of the final spring preparation because of the fact that the track on the new Alumni Field is not yet in shape and the time of its completion is a mat ter of conjecture. This situation may result in Cornell not entering any relay teams in the Pennsylvania relay carnival, though, of course, men will be entered in the open events.

At present Cornell's principal atrength seems to lie in the mile and two mile, the high jump, the pole vault and two ince, the high jump, the pole vault and the weights. In the distance events Moakley has a galaxy of crack runners, which include Speiden, Hoffmire, Windnagle, Fotter, Corwith and several others. In the high jump he has Richards, in the shotput Richards and McCutcheon, in the hammer throw McCutcheon and in the pole vault Form and Milton. Poss and Milton.

Unlass Richards improves a great deal i the shorput, however, he can hardly a considered a factor in the coming pring meets. It is not too much to say that his showing in this weight event dur-ing the winter has been disappointing

ing the winter has been disappointing. Before Christimas he put the shot over if feet. Since Christimas he has dropped off at least two feet in this event. With the exception of ingersoil, there is now in known man in the sprints, and until the quarter and half milers get out of doors no definite estimate of the rannees of the Ithacana in these events and he made, but so far no starting runners have been developed. The hur-disca are an unknown quantity. The bent wea in these events are Lyford, Starr, Lukens and Millard.

Where the Opening Games Will Be Played NATIONAL LEAGUE Philadelphia at Boston. Brooklyn at New York. Pittsburgh at Cincinnati. St. Louis at Chicago. AMERICAN LEAGUE Boston at Philadelphia. New York at Washington. Cleveland .at Detroit. Chicago at St. Louis.

RAILROAD ATHLETES FORM ASSOCIATION

Wilmington Workmen Have Largest Athletic Body Ever Formed in That City.

Workmen of the Pennsylvania Railroad Wilmington have formed the largest athletic association which has ever been formed there. Officers have been elected and committees appointed to at once arrange for the coming season. The organization includes the men from the big

shops, the office men and the employes of various other departments. Officials of the railroad are so much interested in the success of the organiza-

tion that Elisha Lee, the general superintendent of the Maryland, Delaware and Golfers' Specials to the Exposition," which Central Divisions, has given the association the use of a fine piece of ground adloining the reservoir of the company not tay from the shops, but within easy reach of the city, for an athletic ground. It is one of the best pieces of land for the purpose and will at once be laid out with New Lo a baseball diamond and tennis courts.

Sloan Wins Trap Prize

a surregale score of 285 out of 1 largeds in six matches enable of the Farmgut Sportamer's As Camben, to carry off the individus the West Jermey Traphoters the anded April 10. He was awarise the sum for the Mesdow Springs is at present field with the strong markannen for indership in the Traphotery League matches, is factor in keeping it at the top Making an ossible 300

continued Mack, "and so have the White Sox and Tigers. The Athletics are a well-balanced club. "Let me say," continued Mack, "that this fellow Davis, a pitcher picked up in the wilds of Virginia, is going to prove a big surprise. At present the Virginian knows nothing about big league baseball, but he is one of the most promising re-cruits I ever saw." bad

but he is one of the most promising re-cruits I ever saw." In the game with the Phillies on Thurs-day Davis was as wild as a March hare. He seemed afraid to throw the ball, but when he did, the horsehide sailed over the plate with remarkable speed. He is lanky and awkward, but under the supervision of Les Thomas a past

the supervision of Ira Thomas, a past master in developing rookles, and Mack's careful suggestions, Davis is expected to improve in a short time.

COLLEGE GOLFERS PREPARE FOR PANAMA-PACIFIC CONTEST Train Leaves New York June 26 for

the Western Jaunt. Preparations for the transcontinental and Pacific Coast tour of the Intercolle-giate, Alumnas and Alpha Delta Phi golf teams, which will play at the Panama-Pacific Exposition early in July and Au-gust, are well under way. The Commit-tee of Arrangements, composed of W. H. Gardner, 2d. president of the Intercolle-giate Golf Association and captain of the Yale Golf team, chairman: Edward P. Al-lin, 3d. of Harvard; J. B. Rose, of Prince-

on; Cecil Hodgman, 286 Fifth avenue, New York city, secretary. Charles T. Crocker, chairman of the Golf Committee New of the Parama-Pacific Exposition, is makof the Palamar active schedule for the trip and the matches on the Pacific coast. Matches will be played with Leland Stan-ford University of Califor-nia and five country clubs on the coast. The golfers will be carried on "College Golfers" Specials to the Evansition." which will make stop-overs at Chicago, Denver, Colorado Springs and Salt Lake City. The first train leaves New York city June 26. the day after the Yale-Harvard regatta at

FEDERAL LEAGUE Yesterday's Results Kansas City, 5; Pittsburgh, 2. Bt. Louis-Chicago (wet grounds)

Standing of the Clubs 0 1,600 0 1,600 0 1,600 1 ,500 Ransas City Newark Chicago Pitteburgh .500 .010 .000 Baltimore ... Buffalo St. Louis... Today's Schedule and Weather at Brooklyn, partly cloudy, at Buitmore, cloudy, s, at Chicago, cloudy, gh, at Kansas City, clear.

Our trail extends from the Ft. Wayne field To the sod of the Polo Grounds; We have heard the cheers of a thousand years

Back in a Class D league,

And beckoned us on our way.

And careless at last we came

field. Young gods of a golden age,

spell And rule on the printed page.

and that seems a million years ago

And here today, in the same old way, We toll in the Bush again,

Our eyes are bright and our chests are

In a time we know not when;

Anil the glare and the flare of fame;

And loud they cheered as we ruled the

Who were born to dwell through a kingly

thrilled

show

Just a Suggestion That came as a dream rebounds;

He started slicing.

But our arms are gone and our leas are And here in the cast-off cleft, ushed to the edge of the yaunig ledge,

What is the next shift left?

Still Breathing

The Feds were to blow last August, but ecording to a hazy, unconfirmed rumor they were still breathing atmosphere as we propelled these precious lines to press.

With something like four managers and three syndicates looking after his "interests," Mr. Willard may consider himself lucky if he breaks even-or finishes up with the original \$1.15 with which he launched his campaign of White Hopery.

This is one of the several things that prevented us from returning the fistic laurel to the clammy brow of the White laurel to the clammy brow of the White Race-without a manager a fighter can't get any matches and with a manager he can't get any money. Outside of this-and 37 or 4 other details-the fighting game is a grand little profession.

Starting

We have advanced this tip before, but it may not be out of place for the final whirl: Last season about 50 per cent, of the ball players loafed about 50 per cent. of the season and thereby helped to put as heavy a crimp in their own game as cer

heavy a crimp in their own game as cer-tain magnates had put before them. Most of those with ironclad two or three year contracts celebrated the festive occasion by hustling when they felt like it—which was about every third day. If baseball is to be maintained as a first-class sporting spectacle it might be just as well if the majority of those under contract started to steam up a bit and exhibit occasional signs of interest.

If the Boston Braves are Fluke Cham-pions the late Mr. Shakespears was a Fluke Dramatist and our own Mr. Rockefeller is a Fluke Financier.

With Stallings, McGraw, Breanahan. Herzog and Huggins in the same circuit we can understand Mr. Klem's definite in-tention to abandon golf for the time be-ing. He'll have the occasion to listen to sufficient profanity and such without in-troducing any of his own.

game is a grand little profession. Not forgetting to mention that Jack Skelly picked Willard without an "if" or

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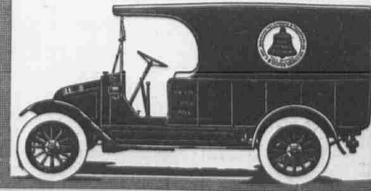
Philadelphia, Pa .- J. G. Duncan, Jr., 181-188 S. 24th St.

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