

ATHLETICS AND YANKEES IN FINAL TODAY—PHILLIES OPEN SEASON HERE TOMORROW

VICTORIOUS PHILLIES WILL GET GREAT WELCOME HOME TOMORROW

Record in Boston and New York Sets Fans Wild With Pennant Hopes—Shift in Athletics' Line-Up and Real Pitching Revives Interest in Mackian Clan.

Seldom have Philadelphia fans become so vitally interested in the fate of the Phillies at this early stage of the race as they are today. In past years they have pulled for the Phillies with all their power, but there was usually little hope, and none at times, even if the club began the season with a big lead, as it has done this season.

The difference in the attitude of the fans is in the fact that Manager Moran has taken a team which was wrecked and has built up a machine which looks like a pennant contender. The annals of the game reveal the fact that the Phils were many times pronounced pennant winners by the pre-season prognosticators, and on those occasions the Phils were in possession of a big bunch of splendid talent.

This year the pre-season criticisms were all the other way. Yet Manager Moran has shown such excellent managerial ability in getting ginger and accurate play into his club that the fans really believe they are going to have a great year.

When Moran's Brave-beaters and Giant-grinders return tonight from New York there will be a host of friends to welcome them at Broad Street Station. The team opens here tomorrow with Boston. This means that the interest of the local baseball populace will be keyed to the highest pitch for the initial tilt, and a record crowd is expected.

Pitching of Shawkey Enlivens Whole Team

Bob Shawkey pitched a consistent and clever game of ball against New York in the third game of the series, and one would hardly have believed that the Athletics were the same team that faced Donovan's Highlanders in the two previous battles. Pitching has been rated always as half the battle, but with the Athletics as they are constructed at present it might be estimated 90 per cent. of the game.

Lack of ginger and miserable fielding have been the usual program for the Macks since opening day, but behind Shawkey's pitching they played errorless ball and the attack was much stronger. Twice the Athletics have made as many hits as they made yesterday, but the lack of spirit and failure to bunch the safeties made them of little use.

Opposed to Shawkey was the diminutive Jack Warhop, always a hard man for the Athletics to beat, but Warhop had no terrors for Mack's reconstructed batting order. Kopf was sent to third base, with Eddie Murphy back in right.

Athletics Gain Speed on Bases

In the previous games the Athletics failed to take chances on the bases and many men were left stranded. Yesterday all kinds of chances were taken. It is true that but few of them were successful, but this style of play served to put life in the team and take away the confidence that was so noticeable in Donovan's crowd.

Almost all of the hits were clean cut and the men were stepping right into the ball, so much in fact that Warhop became riled and tried to drive the Macks away from the plate. Oldring and Kopf were hit by pitched balls and Barry narrowly escaped. So close did Warhop come to several others that the Macks protested that he was doing this intentionally.

Warhop's control was not so good as usual, and that probably accounts for the accusation that he was deliberately trying to hit batsmen. The little side-arm twirler seldom walks three men in a game as he did yesterday, and he was constantly in the hole with the Athletics' best hitters at the plate.

On the other hand, Shawkey's control was almost perfect. He did not walk a batter until the final inning, and the passing of that man was due more to carelessness than lack of direction, as he realized that he had the game well in hand. Such pitching was welcomed by the fans after the horrible exhibitions in the last four games. The game was played in one hour and forty-five minutes, the fastest of the season here, barring opening day.

Frank Chance Laughs at Calamity Howl

Some time ago a letter was received from Frank Chance, formerly known as the real and original "Peerless Leader." Chance has a large sized grievance against organized ball and the world in general, believing that he had an unfair deal with the Yankees last season.

It would be a difficult matter to convince Chance that the magnates are not calamity howling about poor business. He says in part: "One play started me off to a fortune. In a game where the score was 0 to 6, with Schulte gone, I singled and stole second. Steinfield then laid down a bunt just past the pitcher's box, and I never even hesitated at third, but beat the throw to the plate. Charles P. Taft saw that game and on the same evening gave me a one-tenth interest in the club, letting the stock, worth \$10,000, pay for itself with its earnings. I held the stock eight years. During that time it earned me more than \$100,000, and when I sold it for \$40,000 cash I did so at a great sacrifice. And still they claim there is no money in baseball. It is a joke."

Danger in New Relay Race Rule

The new intercollegiate and Olympic rule for relay racing permitting a runner to transfer the baton at any point within a zone of 20 yards, either five yards behind or in front of the starting line, will have an acid test on Saturday at Pennsylvania's great relay carnival.

Particularly in the races in which there are half a dozen or more teams competing there is sure to be much confusion if many of the runners go back to meet their team mates. It will be fortunate if there are not some accidents. If all the runners go back everything will be all right, but if half stay on their marks and wait for their team mates and others go back there is almost sure to be interference.

It is true that this rule was used at the Olympic games in Stockholm, but it should be explained that on this occasion all the races were run in heats, and there were never more than three and usually only two teams in the final heat. With half a dozen or more teams all running their races differently trouble may follow.

College Rowing Crews Present Puzzle

College men who are in the habit of seeing a wide disparity between first and second football and baseball teams cannot understand the policy of having two or perhaps three crews so evenly matched that even the coach doesn't know which is the best. That, however, is the situation right now at both Pennsylvania and Cornell. Vivian Nickalls has two crews so even that one day one wins, the next day the other. At Cornell Charles Courtney has three crews and even he cannot tell which to regard as the varsity eight. Last year Harvard had a junior eight which up to two miles was several lengths faster than the varsity boat. It was this crew which carried off the Grand Challenge Cup at the Henley Regatta in England, and many rowing experts believed at the time that the second eight could have beaten Yale at New London.

There are two very good reasons for this method of developing crews. First of all it spoils any man's rowing to continually shift him from one combination to another on the belief that he is better than another man. Men can be tested this way in other sports, but not in rowing. Such changes have to be worked out very carefully. Consequently when Pennsylvania rows the Navy on May 1 there is likely to be very little difference in the strength of the first and second eights. Up at Cornell Coach Courtney is working along the same lines, and probably not until late in the season will he permanently pick his first eight.

Marathoners Should Have Attendants

The Amateur Athletic Union rendered commendable service to the cause of the marathon by its decision to permit runners to have attendants in the course of the 25-mile races. Some criticism has been directed at the Amateur Athletic Union for permitting runners to have attendants when they are denied such service in the Olympic games. But instead of being criticised the Amateur Athletic Union should be praised for doing something that the Olympic authorities should and doubtless will do before the next Olympic games are held.

There is always considerable danger attached to marathon running, and every protection should be afforded the competitors. In London in 1908 each runner was permitted to have an attendant on a bicycle, who picked up his man at the end of the first five miles and accompanied him until the stadium was reached. For some reason this privilege was revoked at the Stockholm games in 1912. Now, see the result. During the course of the 1912 run one of the Portuguese runners was overcome with the heat and collapsed on the course, dying before aid could reach him. This death should be charged directly to the repeal of the rule permitting attendants. Had this runner had such an attendant he would have seen the serious condition of his man and either compelled him to drop out of the race altogether or procured assistance for him. Because the Olympic authorities do not properly safeguard their competitors is no reason why the Amateur Athletic Union should not.

CHAMPION BETHLEHEM SOCCER TEAM TO PLAY BROOKLYN CELTICS MAY 1



Members of the team are: Top row, standing—Lawson, R. A. Lewis, W. H. Bischoff, Love, Graham, T. Black, Fletcher, S. T. Harleman, H. E. Lewis, manager; H. W. Trend, secretary; J. Nicholson, A. N. Roberts, treasurer; T. Kieffer, J. M. Herbig, president; Duncan. Second row—W. W. Lynn, trainer; Toole, Schafie, Lance, Campbell, Stewart. Third row—Clarke, Peacock, Pepper, Ford. Bottom row—Galbraith, Murray, Morrison, captain; Miller, Fleming, Lawlor.

BETHLEHEM ELEVEN TO ENGAGE CELTICS

Tie-off Contest for National Cup Will Be Played May 1, on Neutral Field.

Although the soccer season is practically at an end, the game between the Bethlehem and the Brooklyn Celtics, which is to be staged May 1, will attract universal attention among followers of the British pastime. This contest is the final tie for the national cup competition. The game will be played on neutral ground.

The Bethlehem team is considered by soccer experts to be the best eleven in this country today. During the past season only one game have been lost—that to the Brooklyn Celtics. This fact will make their final clash of more than usual interest. The "Steelmen" have been tied twice this season, but one of those games was played against the cream of the Blue Mountain League, whose make-up was from the best of the Lehigh Valley players and not one team alone.

Against 25 points for their opponents, the Bethlehem team has piled up 46 this season and expects to continue its triumphant march late this month when a Canadian invasion is scheduled. The Brooklyn team won the championship this season of the Metropolitan League, one of the strongest soccer organizations in the country, while their opponents for the May game won the title in the American League.

WHITTED SPROUTS BUNION, BUT PREDICTS PENNANT

Philly Outfielder Crippled, But Still in Fighting Mood.

NEW YORK, April 21.—George Whitted, outfielder of the Phillies, is suffering from a bunion that may become as famous as the one brought to town by Rolfie Zeider in exchange for Hal Chase. George was limping around the Polo Grounds yesterday with a huge lump outside the left half of an \$8 pair of shoes.

"Just my luck," said Whitted, "to develop a bunion when I was upon the high road to success with my new manager. I didn't wish to leave the Braves because I figured I was considered a regular in the Hub. Then, when I did get with the Phillies and was going along well I had to break down. Now I've got to go to work and make the fight all over again, for Dode Daskert is going to be a pretty tough man to dislodge."

Whitted has taken to the Phillies all of the ginger that was instilled in him last season while he was working with Stallings' Braves. Like all the rest of Moran's scrappy players George is convinced that the Quaker City club will carry off a championship.

"Our present sport is no flash in the pan," said he, "I must confess I have a wholesome respect for the Braves. But they will miss Johnny Evers. And if the Trojan is out for any length of time our club should be able to get a start that will make it extremely difficult for any rival to catch up."

MYSTIX TENNIS PLAYERS PROPOSE TO BOOM SPORT

Seek Matches for Season With Best Philadelphia Organizations.

The Mystix Country Club tennis team will be seen on the courts this season after an absence of two years. The team lost its courts when the club disbanded, and intends playing traveling tennis, firm in the belief that interclub matches will greatly increase the keen interest which is now being taken in tennis. Several well-known players have been secured, among them being E. A. Buckley, of the Central High School tennis team. The team, captained by C. Parvis, will include J. V. C. Browlow, J. Fulton, E. A. Buckley, J. Mullen, C. A. Saybolt, H. H. Longaker and others.

Advertisement for 'FANNING' WITH GRANTLAND RICE, featuring an illustration of a man in a hat and a globe.

Messrs. Cobb, Baker, Collins, Spicker, Crawford and one or two others have attained a fair amount of publicity through the productive qualities of the Batting Eye. But in summing up the list of those who understand the art of batting a baseball, it is just as well that some mention be made of George Cravath, the Siege Gun of the Philadelphia Phillies. As an outstanding bloke with the bat, Mr. Cravath can hit with any in the field. He has a swing of power and precision—and one of the keenest eyes that ever peered out the proper ball to smother. He hasn't attained the overflowing fame held by some others—but he deserves it—which is just as good.

Publicity Getters. Publicity is almost as much a matter of luck as it is of merit. Alexander, the Cravath, has never drawn the adulation and the acclaim that he deserves.

It has so happened in the Flip of Fate that neither of these star Phils has ever been forcibly thrust into the Psychological Moment of Big Events. Untoward circumstances have kept them out of public range. But don't make the mistake of overlooking their inordinate worth.

Corrected. Short tip—You are wrong about the baseball game in the language. Granted again that Mr. Cobb muffed his first chance of the year, the following stands as the briefest lyric ever penned—

More Inside Stuff. Sir—Here's another inside tip for you. J. Franklin Baker is getting weary of plugging around a lot of potatoes and beans. He is on the edge of slipping back. And when he does it will be with the Mackmen, for I happen to know that Connie has determined not to sell him for a mint.

The Peckaboo System. "New York," says an exchange, "failed to go wild over Jess Willard." How wild would you go over a guy who was hurried up dark alleys and over tall buildings to be kept completely out of sight? Willard is a most deserving piece of flesh, but there are entirely too many things to observe here and there in these stupendous times for one to break a leg in order to get a stinky peek at a mere human being.

Still, it is only fitting to give Tom Jones, Willard's manager, all the credit that is due. It takes a grand little leader to cover up 6 feet 6 inches of anything that operates or circulates above ground.

Sixteenth Year. Sir—I see by some papers that Matthewson is now working his 15th campaign. Is this his 15th or 16th year? W. L. H. Matty started with the Giants in 1900. In only working three games that season and dropped them all. Counting this fuzzy episode in, Matty is now facing his 16th season, although as a regular he has served only 14 summers.

Concerning Pitchers. Old Walter Johnson has the smoke. And Matty has the stuff. Ryne Marquard is a No-hit guy. That very few can brag. But taken up and down the dope of any fanning bee, And never Alexander, pal, Is good enough for me.—Plato Pete.

Considerable Devise. The attention of the United States Golf Association is called to Mr. Owen Johnson, author of Stover at Yale and the split-ball drive. Mr. Johnson claims that by proper application of the saliva upon the ball a slice or hook can be produced at will. In addition to this he has invented a mangle with an emery face to hold a cut shot on a fast green, operating on

CHALMERS, WITH PHILS, MAY TURN THE TRICK

Return of Spitballer to Form Strengthens Moran's Chances for Pennant Race.

The signing of George Chalmers by the Phillies needs a little explanation, in view of the fact that George was considered the property of the New York Giants and that McGraw also believed such was the case.

When Chalmers went South with the Giants this spring he paid his own expenses, with the condition that he was to draw down the same sum from the Giants that he got with the Phillies, or more, if he thought his condition warranted it.

In the South Chalmers displayed great form, and in cutting down his roster McGraw counted Chalmers in on his 25-player limit, but he reckoned without "Dut," who, in view of the fact that he had paid his own expenses and then showed a remarkable return to form, decided that he should have something to say about his contract.

Pat Moran just happened to be in New York when McGraw and Chalmers were at odds over salary. Chalmers was a free agent. Pat stepped in and signed him.

Chalmers was released by the Phillies last summer, despite a protest from Manager Dooin, although his showing in 1913 and 1914 certainly warranted President Baker's action. If Chalmers can show the form he exhibited in 1911 it will boost the Phillies' stock 50 per cent. or more, as at that time he was invincible. He has a wonderful spitball when right, and has always shown particularly well against New York and St. Louis, two of the clubs that are certain to be pennant contenders.

Shift in Cornell Crews. PHILADELPHIA, N. Y., April 21.—The first change in the make-up of the Cornell crew since the season began on the lake was made when Coach Courtney placed Commodore Elinas at stroke oar in the second varsity combination in place of Brooks, putting the latter in Elinas' position. Elinas rowed in the varsity eight last year, but so far has been rowing in the junior combination.

Advertisement for 'Another Special Intaglio Section with the Evening Ledger of Thursday, April 22'. Includes details about the National League Baseball Season and the Evening Ledger's Intaglio process of photos.

KEYSTONE SHOOTERS' SCHEDULE BIGGEST CARNIVAL OF YEAR

Holmesburg Junction to Be Scene of Clay-bird Smashing Today and Tomorrow—Most of Experts Will Face Traps.

The Keystone Shooting League, Philadelphia, one of the largest and best trapshooting organizations in the East, will hold its eighth annual regular tournament today and tomorrow at its grounds at Holmesburg Junction. The arrangements for the tournament are in charge of Colonel G. F. Hamlin, general manager of the Keystone Shooting League, and under his supervision a most attractive program has been prepared. Lloyd R. Lewis, professional, and famous throughout the country as one of the leading tournament managers, will have charge of the affair. The early indications point to a large attendance of some of the best shooters in the East, and already the contest of such famous shooters as Charles Wagoner, Ralph Spotts, Denny McMahon, William Wolsenroff, Ike Bunker, Poord and A. B. Richardson, of the Wagoner team, is being looked forward to by others here.

The regular program calls for 175 shots each day. This is divided into 15-target and five 20-target events. The 15-target money-back system will be operative, and there will be optional awards on each event. Any one desiring to do so may shoot for targets only and still be eligible for all the prizes which are valued at more than \$50. The prize of 15 cents each, and with \$100 added to the Sunday money-back purse there should be considerable money for the high guns on the two days.

There will be two 25-target special handicap events each day, comprising 15 targets in all for the two days. This will be known as the Keystone Shooting League handicap, and the handicaps will range from 15 to 21 yards. The Venetian Hotel trophy will be awarded to the high man in this event, and there will also be six special trophies, one for each of the high men on the different marks. This is the men shooting on the 15-yard mark, which will constitute a class, and shoot for one of the special trophies. The same applies to the men shooting on the 17-yard mark, and so on. This is a decidedly clever innovation that is sure to appeal to the men shooting on the 17-yard mark.

Philip E. duPont, of Philadelphia, has presented a valuable sterling silver trophy to the Keystone Shooting League to be shot for at the annual tournament of the league for three years. The winner each year will be subject to challenge by any amateur, and all matches will be shot for on the grounds of the Wagoner team, of Wilmington, Del. There will be a valuable trophy for the runner-up in this event.

Advertisement for 'RADNOR THE NEW ARROW COLLAR', featuring an illustration of a collar.

A series of cartoon panels with humorous dialogue. The first panel shows a man with an umbrella saying 'STEP THIS WAY LADIES AND GENTS!'. The second panel shows a man saying 'INSIDE OF THAT E-NORMUS CANVAS, WE HAVE...'. The third panel shows a man saying 'KU-SU, KU, THE MIS-JUNG LUNK FROM THE WILDS OF SLAMBSQK'. The fourth panel shows a man saying 'ALSO AARON WILKE THE MAZUMA DE-LENDA MAN-'. The fifth panel shows a man saying 'WADD'YA WANT?'. The sixth panel shows a man saying 'WHEN IS A PITCHER LIKE A ZEPPELIN?'. The seventh panel shows a man saying 'THAT'S GOT ME!'. The eighth panel shows a man saying 'EASY-VERA EASY!'. The ninth panel shows a man saying 'WHEN?'. The tenth panel shows a man saying 'WHEN HE'S UP IN THE AIR!'. The final panel shows a man saying 'I'LL DROP A BUM ON YOU!' with a 'KLACK!' sound effect.

EVENING LEDGER MOVIES—BOB SHAWKEY, ALAS AND AGAIN ALACK, IS NOT IN THIS HALL OF FAME