

PHILLIES HALT DASH OF FAST-GOING PIRATES—SCHANG BROTHERS, FAMOUS IN BASEBALL

PHIL MACHINE SLIPS COG SANS LUDERUS AND KILLEFER

First Baseman Has Saved Many Games on Balls Thrown Into Runner, While Whitted Has Lost on Same Plays—Star Catcher Essential With Alexander on Mound.

The winning streak of the Pittsburgh Pirates was broken by Grover Cleveland Alexander, in the first inter-sectional game of the season in the National League. But many glaring faults were noticeable in the play of Moran's team.

It is becoming more apparent every day that Killefer and Luderus mean far more to the Phillies than the average fan suspects. Both Burns and Whitted are playing fairly good ball, but the latter belongs in the outfield.

While Luderus is generally looked upon as a clumsy performer, there are few first basemen in the major leagues who class with the big German in taking thrown balls in to the runner.

Luderus Has Saved Many Games for Phillies

In the course of a season every club loses about a dozen games on throws close to the base runner. These go down into right field just at the wrong time.

Manager Moran said this morning that he expected Luderus back in the game within a day or two, and admits that he never thought so highly of his captain's work until he saw some else trying to perform at the first corner.

There was no chance for any individual bad play losing yesterday's game, with Alexander's pitching. Seldom has the big fellow possessed more "stuff."

Killefer an Essential With Alexander Pitching

Alexander is fast getting into Walter Johnson's class in one respect. He was always in the Senator's class as a winning pitcher, but now he has developed his curve ball to such an extent that Killefer is the only catcher capable of holding him properly.

"Alex" has not the speed that Johnson possessed a few years ago, but his fast and curve balls break much more sharply than those of the Washington marvel, and in the two games he has caught Alexander, Burns has looked like a poor receiver.

Slowing Up of Wagner Proves Costly

Poor support gave Pittsburgh both of its runs off Alexander, but Wagner and McQuillan presented the Phillies with two, to even matters up. McQuillan's part in the play came in making a throw that was not good, but Wagner two years ago would have smothered the ball and prevented the Phils from scoring twice.

McQuillan pitched a fine game of ball for six innings and had a shade better of Alexander, but while batting in the first half of the seventh inning he was hit on the right arm with one of Alexander's fast balls and immediately lost his effectiveness.

Bancroft Far Outshines the Great Wagner

The most pleasing feature of the game from a local standpoint was the beautiful fielding of Bancroft. The ex-Portlander made no less than five plays that Wagner would not have been within five feet of handling, and his throwing was a treat.

For the Pirates, the work of Bob Schang, Wally's brother, stood out prominently. He handles McQuillan like a veteran and pegged to the bases in great style.

McQuillan Pulls Prize "Bone" of the Day

Anything out of the ordinary seems to tickle a baseball fan. Bonehead plays appeal particularly, as was noticeable yesterday in the Phillies-Pirates game. There was much to become enthusiastic over and to talk about in discussing the game.

With one man out, McQuillan was hit by a pitched ball and advanced to third on Carey's single. Carey immediately stole second. The Phillies were leading by only one run, and it looked as though the Pirates would tie the score, with Johnston hitting.

Johnston's effort was a drive which Cravath picked off the right field fence in a sensational manner, and every one expected to see McQuillan romp home after the catch, but to the amazement of the crowd he was seen scampering back to third.

The players of both teams were taken by surprise, and Cravath made no attempt to throw the ball to the plate, believing that McQuillan had held his base and was making for home after the catch.

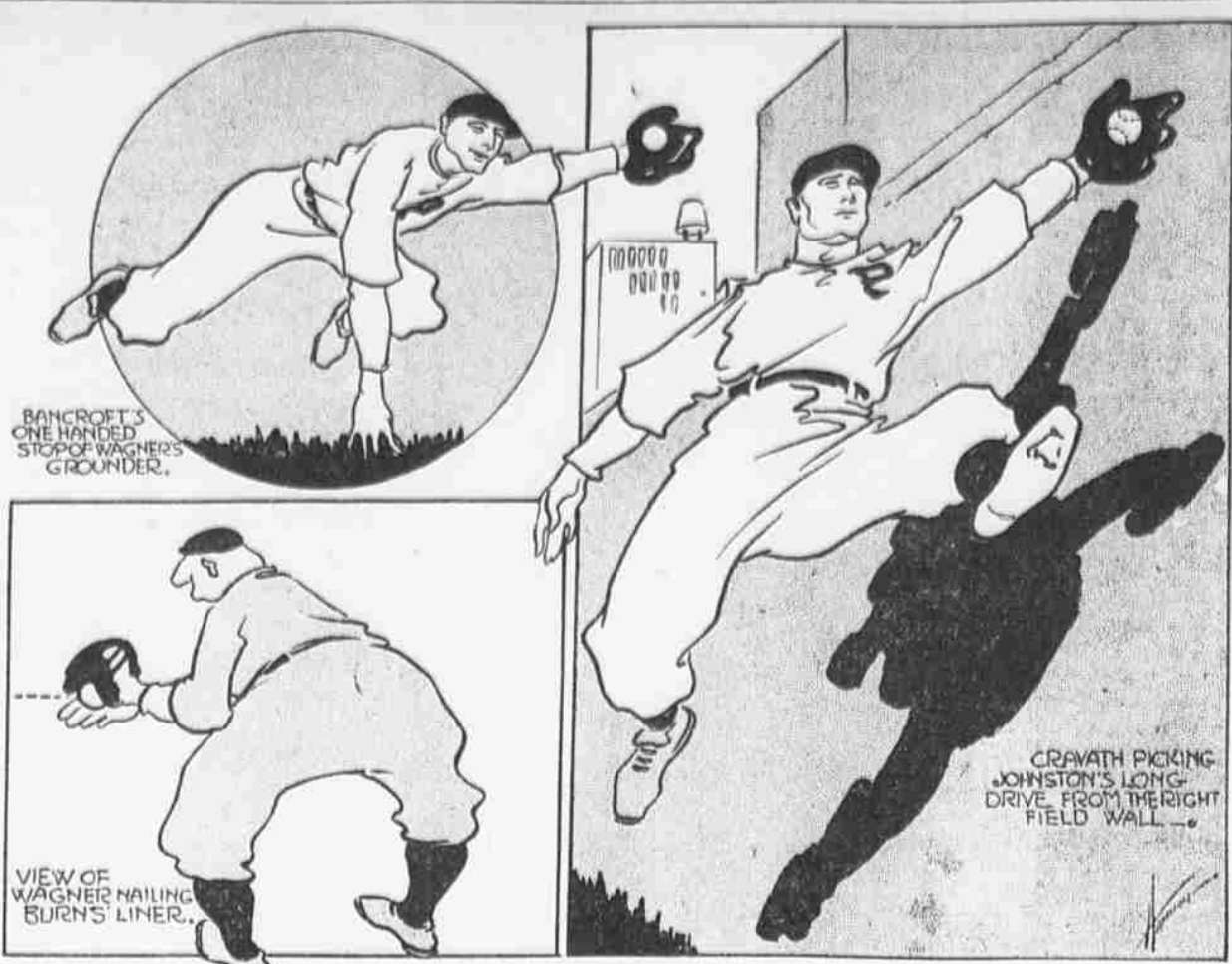
Minors Beat Majors on Triple Play

A fan writes that two triple plays were made by an amateur team in a 9-inning game in Fairmount Park Saturday, and he wants to know if any major league ever accomplished this feat.

On April 25, 1903, at Los Angeles, Butte made two of these triple killings, one, Reilly to Hillingsworth to Messery, and the other Reilly to Messery. It is a coincidence that "Gavy" Cravath hit one of the line drives that Reilly pulled down.

Yost Has New Stunt in Football Coaching

Cosch Fielding H. Yost, of Michigan, can always be counted on to develop something new in football tactics. He has made the spring training this year doubly interesting by inventing a new game to increase distance and accuracy with the forward pass.



THRILLERS OF THE DAY FOR BASEBALL FANS

DIGGINS WILL BATTLE K. O. O'DONNELL AGAIN

Promoter Taylor Closing Negotiations for Return Bout at Broadway Club May 20.

Negotiations for a return match between Youpp Diggins and Joe O'Donnell at the Broadway A. C., May 20, have been all but completed. It is a matter of a day or two before Matchmaker Taylor will set the signatures of the boxers' respective managers.

With a score of consecutive victories to his credit, Bill (Buck) Fleming, of Gray's Ferry, will endeavor to add another win when he squares off with Mike Coster, of Little Italy, tomorrow night.

Joe Hirst is training conscientiously for his match with Joe Heffernan at the Olympia A. A. Monday night. A victory for Joe will give him a chance to meet Willie Moore.

Joe Welling, Chicago's sensational lightweight, will make his first appearance in an Eastern ring in New York Friday night. He will meet Johnny Marto in a 10-round bout.

The quintet of fighting Moores are working out daily in their gymnasium in preparation for their exhibition at the National Club, May 21. Al, the youngest of the five, will make his professional debut, appearing in the opening number.

PHILS' AND ATHLETICS' BATTING AVERAGES

Table showing batting averages for Philadelphia Phillies and Cincinnati Athletics. Columns include Name, AB, R, H, TB, P.C., and P.C. (Pitcher's Control).

COUNTRY CLUB POLO TEAM WILL MEET BRYN MAWR CLUB

Tournament Begins This Afternoon for Hunt Club Cups. Philadelphia polo will switch to Bryn Mawr today, when the experts with the mallet will compete in a three-day tournament for the Hunt Club Cups.

Graef Easily Defeats Freeman

There was nothing to last night's racket ball tournament call at Toone's parlors. Andy Graef winning from Joseph Freeman by the one-sided score of 25 to 24.

BANTAM FROM WEST HERE FOR FIGHTS

George Thompson Coast Champion, Wants Crack at Kid Williams.

Although George Thompson, of San Diego, bantamweight champion of the coast, arrived in this city unheralded, his popularity and reputation as a fighter preceded him.

Thompson, who is managed by his father, a former exponent of the hit-and-get-away game, won his titular laurels of the Pacific coast by decisively defeating Walter Williams.

While Thompson remains in the east he will endeavor to sign up for a match in Philadelphia, New York or Baltimore with Champion Kid Williams.

Although Georgie is a type of boxer who depends on his speed and cleverness to win, he also possesses a punch that hurts. He displays corking footwork and has a splendid defense.

Ray Schalk, of Sox, Suspended

CHICAGO, May 12.—Because of a row with Six O'Loughlin, in St. Louis Sunday afternoon, Ray Schalk, star catcher of the Chicago American League team, received work yesterday of his indefinite suspension.

WHAT MAY HAPPEN IN BASEBALL TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE table showing W, L, Pct., Win, Loss for Philadelphia Phillies, Chicago, Boston, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Brooklyn, and St. Louis.

AMERICAN LEAGUE table showing W, L, Pct., Win, Loss for Detroit, New York, Chicago, Boston, Cleveland, Washington, Athletics, and St. Louis.

FEDERAL LEAGUE table showing W, L, Pct., Win, Loss for Pittsburgh, Newark, Chicago, Kansas City, Brooklyn, St. Louis, Baltimore, and Buffalo.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

National League Games: Cincinnati at New York, clear; Chicago at Brooklyn, clear; St. Louis at Boston, rain; Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, partly cloudy.

MAJORS THIS WEEK

Table showing National League and American League results for Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Chicago, Pittsburgh, and St. Louis.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Table showing National League and American League results for Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Cleveland, Detroit, Kansas City, Newark, Pittsburgh, and Baltimore.

NEW BOWLING SQUAD FORGES INTO LEAD

Edouard Quintet, of Casino League, Rolls 2654 in National Association Tourney.

Two new leaders appeared as a result of the semifinal five-man team bowling matches in the city championship of the National Association tournament, rolled on Terminal Alleys last night.

No Boxing for Michigan

LANSING, Mich., May 12.—A bill to legalize ten-round boxing in Michigan, introduced yesterday by Governor Ferris, "I do approve the boxing commission bill as being a good one to constitute a stepping stone to prize fighting," said the Governor.

Table showing bowling scores for various teams and individuals, including Edouard Quintet and Wynnham.

GEORGES CARPENTIER, AVIATOR

Europe's Boxing Champion Serves New Task in French Army. LONDON, May 12.—Georges Carpentier, heavyweight champion of Europe, has proved one of the handy men of the French army.

PHILLIES VS. PITTSBURGH

NATIONAL LEAGUE FAIR GAME AT 8:30 P. M. Admission, 25c, 50c and 75c. Box Seats, 1.00. On sale at Gimble's and Spalding's.

CHALMERS VS. HARMON PITCHING SELECTIONS IN PHIL-PIRATES FRY

Luderus Expected to Be in Game Again This Afternoon, With Whitted Back in Centre Field—Harmon in Great Form.

George Chalmers will have an opportunity to face the Pirates this afternoon, if he shows anything in warming up. George is not fit Al Demaree and Rixey will toss up for the assignment.

The big New Yorker's curve ball is breaking almost as well as Alexander's and he should prove a different proposition for the Pirates, who look particularly bad on curve balls.

Good news awaits the fans who attend today's game, as Pat Moran said last night that he expected to have Fred Luderus back on first base with Whitted in centre field again.

Bob Harmon, with three straight wins to his credit, will be permitted to rest for the Pirates, and Bob is always a better man for the Phils.

When Bert was out of the game, did not report at the grounds yesterday as he was confined to his bed with a cold and fever. He was much better this morning, but will not be able to play for several days.

PENNOCK OR WYCKOFF TO OPPOSE BROWNS

Work of Shawkey in St. Louis Yesterday Raises Hopes for Lowly Athletics.

ST. LOUIS, May 12.—Local fans were treated to a disagreeable surprise when Bob Shawkey pitched one of the best games of ball seen in St. Louis this season in the first game of the season between the Athletics and Browns, and wondering if Connie Mack's pitching as bad as has been reported.

Herb Pennock, who was slated to start yesterday, did not warm up as well as Shawkey, hence the change in Mack's program. If Herb looks good today he will be Mack's selection.

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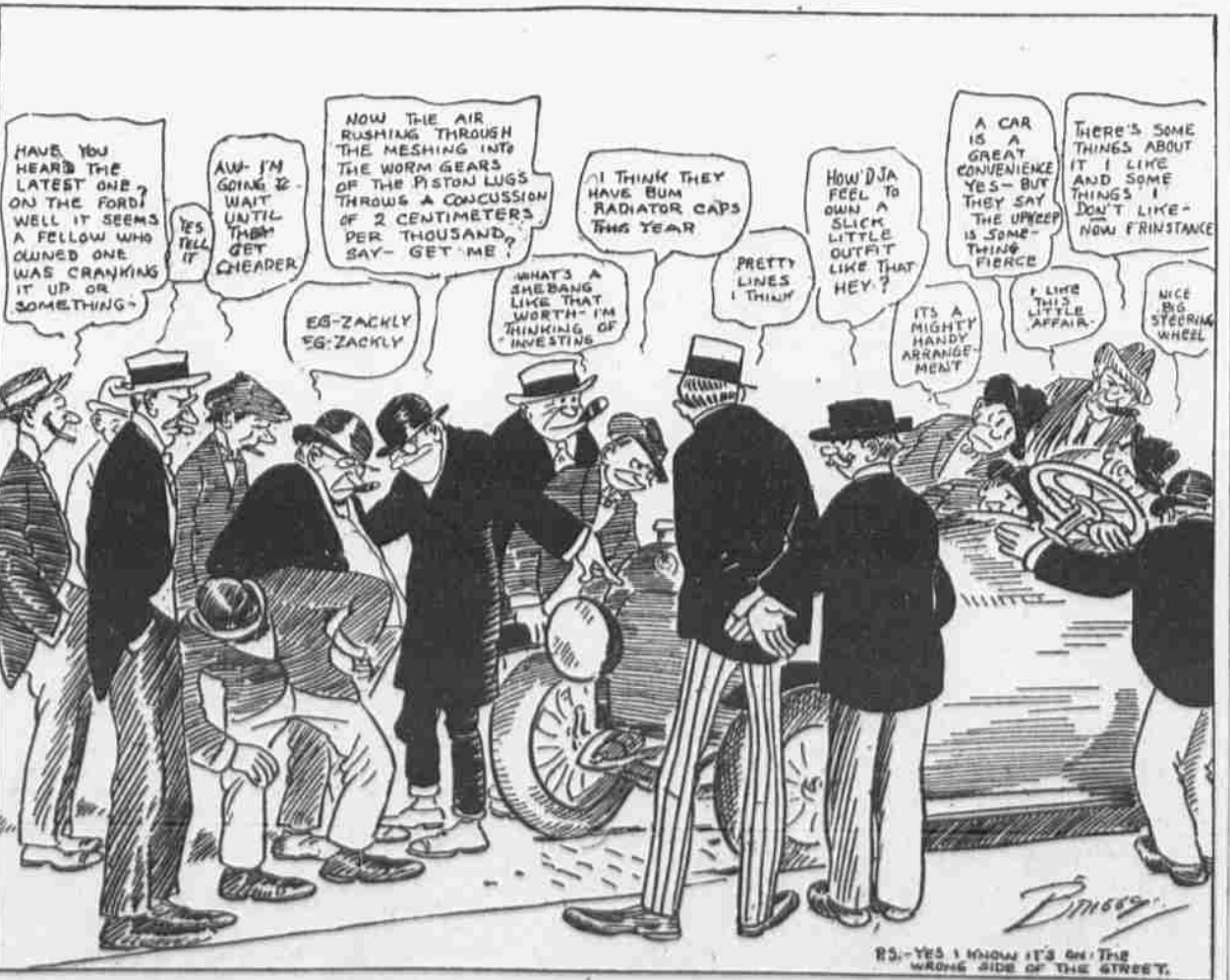
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