

SWIFT PACE IN NATIONAL LEAGUE RACE-LEW TENDLER MEETS LOUISIANA TONIGHT

PHILLIES, CUBS AND THE BRAVES SET PACE IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago Going Strong Now, But Due to Slow Up With Warmer Weather - Boston Bunch Looks Dangerous With Pitchers Recovering Form-Moran's Team Still Looks Best on Paper.

With the coming of the Cubs tomorrow every National League club will have made its appearance here, and to date none except the Braves has shown anything to warrant making the Phillies anything but the favorite in the pennant race.

Unless the Cubs look much better than local fans believe they are, the Phillies will have little to fear from them. Breznan has his men playing well just at present, but the warmer weather will not add to the ability of several of his veterans, who are nearing that stage where the legs have a tendency to go bad when the race gets under way.

Braves' Pitchers Now Stronger Every Day

It is a certainty that the Braves will get stronger as the season wears on, and will be doubly stronger when Evers gets back in the game. James and Tyler are now taking their regular turns on the mound, and both appear to be just as good as they were in the latter stages of the 1914 race.

The Braves' staff has been through the mill and stood out when all others in the league cracked, except the Phillies. On what has been shown to date, the Philly staff is just as good as the Braves' and perhaps a little better with the peerless Alexander in shape.

Slump of the Phillies Only Natural.

Whether the Philly pitchers can keep going at the present clip with poor batting behind them and erratic fielding is a matter of doubt, but there are few who believe that the present slump will last much longer.

Take Saier and Williams out of the Cub lineup, or Schmidt and Magee away from Boston and watch both of those teams run into a slump. The Phillies have had two of their best hitters and team workers out of the game for two weeks, and allowances must be made for that.

Brooklyn Will Surprise the League.

Of the other clubs that have appeared here, only the Dodgers have shown any real strength. The batting strength in the Brooklyn club is greater than in any team in the entire league. Bad pitching has kept the Dodgers in the second division for two years, but the twirlers appear to be rounding into form now.

Brooklyn, like the Braves previous to last season, has been in the second division so long that the fans take it as a matter of course that they will wind up there again, but the league is due for a great surprise when the pitchers get going.

The Giants looked bad here, but they were sorely crippled at the time. McGraw insists that his team will be in the fight to the finish, and he seldom goes wrong on his predictions, but he is perhaps over-estimating the ability of a few of his veterans who are thought to be about through as major leaguers.

Cardinals and Pirates Not Serious Contenders.

St. Louis and Pittsburg won games from the Phillies, but neither team is likely to finish in the first division, notwithstanding the fact that Huggins believes his club outclasses the Phillies.

After a great start, the Reds ran into a lot of hard luck and accidents, and the club has tumbled rapidly, but it is not so far back that it cannot get up in the race in a few weeks. Manager Herzog believes that his team is certain to finish in the first division.

Before the season is over Herzog expects to have one of the best pitching staves in the league, and if he does, the Reds should finish well up, as the club is fast and well balanced. It will be a team that never knows when it is beaten if it follows the lines laid out by its peppery leader.

Best Race in Years for National League.

All things considered, it is the most remarkable race the National League has had in years. Last season the Braves, Giants and Cardinals made all the excitement, but this season every club has a chance.

The Giants, who are in last place, have lost but 14 games, while the Cubs, who are leading, have lost 12, a margin of four games on the losing side of the ledger. The Cubs have won 19 games, while the Giants have captured but 11.

Portland Magistrate May Pilot Cleveland.

Walter McCredie, manager of the Portland Club, of the Pacific Coast League, has been mentioned as a possible successor to Joe Birmingham as leader of the Cleveland Club.

It will take more than money to lure McCredie from Portland. It has often been said on the Coast that McCredie has boasted that he could pilot a major league club better than half of those who are now holding down managerial positions.

McCredie One of Best in the Minors.

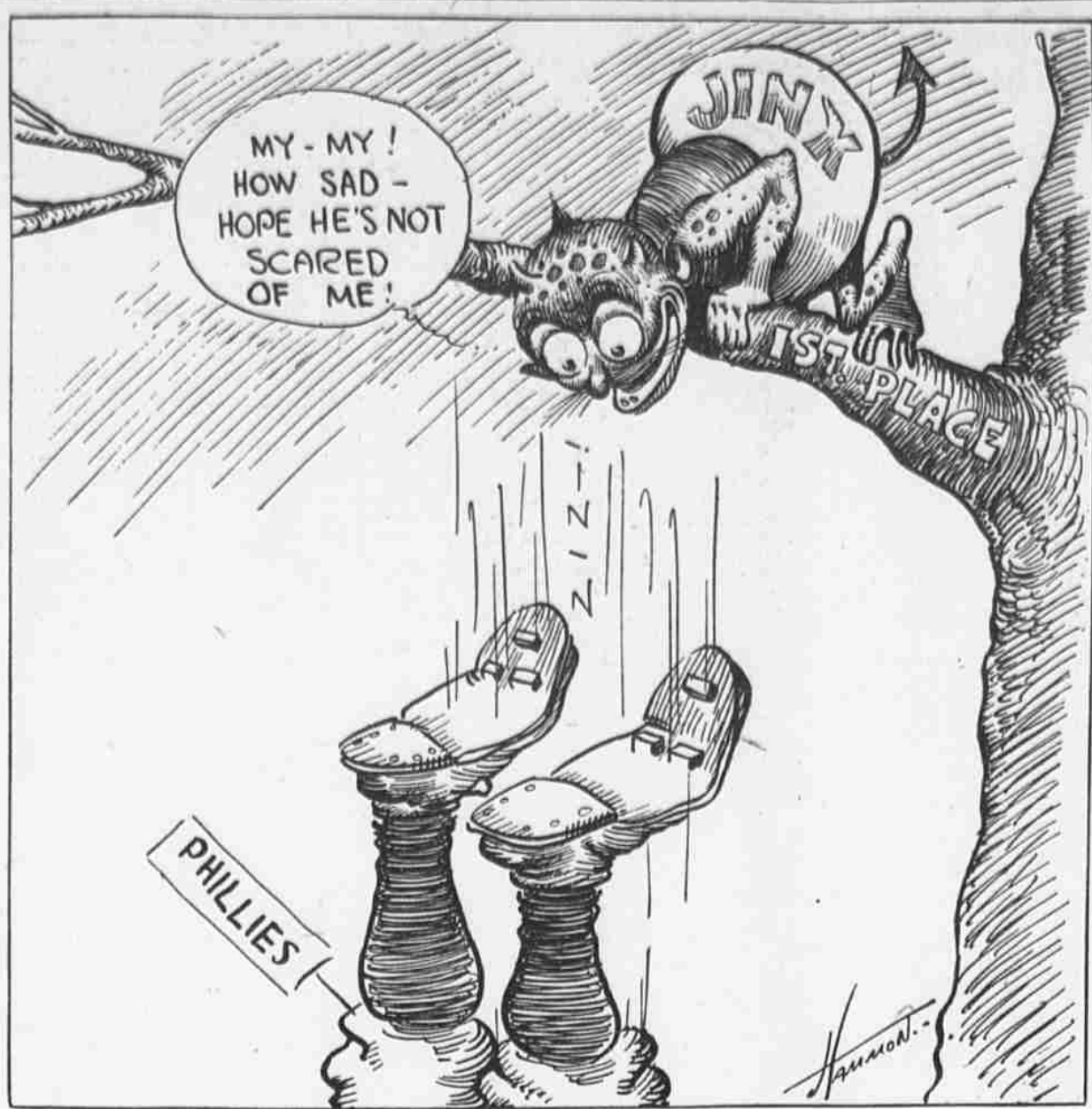
McCredie is unquestionably one of the greatest minor league managers in the game. In the seven years he has headed the Portland Club he has won five pennants, finished second once and fourth once.

Some of McCredie's finds are Bancroft, of the Phillies; Steen, Craney, Chapman and Hagerman, of Cleveland; Lewis, Leonard, Gregg and Mays, of Boston, though the latter was afterward sent to Providence for further seasoning.

Herzog Pooh-Poohs Chances of Phillies

Charley Herzog insists that the Reds will finish higher than the Phillies, and says that he does not think Moran's team will land in the first division. He admits that the team might fool him, as he has seen them in action only once, but he contends that man for man he has a better ball club.

Admitting that the Phillies will not hit as many home runs on the road, local fans are convinced that the road is the best place for the team just at present. Too many home run drives have caused the men to try to kill the ball because they know the fences are short, while on the road and on large fields they probably will return to place hitting.



IT'S BAD ENOUGH, BUT IT'S NOT FATAL

BASEBALL BINGLE AND BUNGL

As soon as the Philly-Cincinnati game was called off on Saturday, Manager Herzog and five of the Reds boarded a train for Ridgeley, Md., where Herzog entertained his teammates in his beautiful new home.

Felding averages do not begin to tell a player's worth. Butler, of the Cardinals, is far ahead of Bancroft in the shortstop averages at present, and he is there because he does not begin to go after hits that Dave is converting into outs.

Joe Oeschker is likely to be wearing another uniform in another week, though Manager Moran insists that he is going to keep Joe. The new National League waiver rule makes it impossible to withdraw waivers after they have once been asked, and it is said that waivers have been asked on Joe.

The folly of exhibition games for the sake of a few dollars was brought home by the accident to Merkle of the Giants at Perth Amboy yesterday. The Giants' star first baseman had just returned to the game after having recovered from a fractured arm and yesterday sustained a broken nose which will keep him out of the game for ten days at least.

Manager Mack must be just about dis-

LOUISIANA BOUT TEST FOR RISING TENDLER

Meet at Olympia-Revoire and Holt Clash in Quaker City Final Tonight.

Lew Tandler, newboy champion and fast-rising bantam, will have an opportunity to become famous over night when he pairs off with Louisiana, who scored a clean knockdown over Champion Williams, in the main bout at the Olympia A. A. tonight.

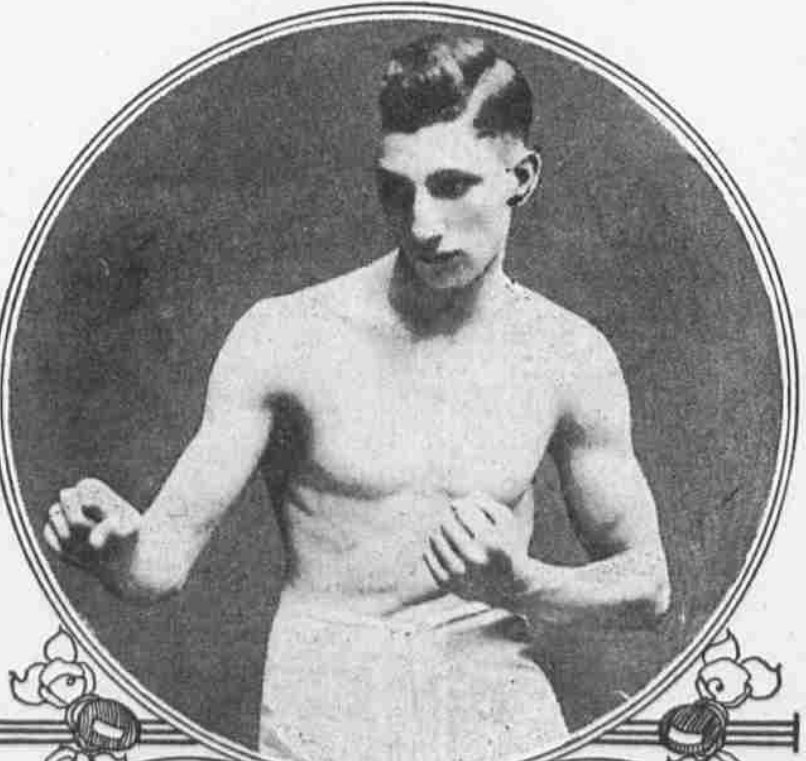
The program follows: First bout-Jack Kantrow, Southwark, vs. Eddie Saylor, Southwark. Second bout-Fighting Bob, Allentown, vs. Leo Vincent, Southwark.

The star bout at the Fairmount A. C. tomorrow night will bring together Ty Cobb, of Southwark, and Al Britt, of Baltimore. Cobb recently surprised Fairmount fans by stopping Harry Sullivan, and Ty's supporters are rooting for another kayo.

While Joe O'Donnell is training for a knockout, Willie Mack is working for speed in preparation for their set-to at the Broadway Club Thursday night. Mack believes he can give Knockout Joe an even worse beating than the one handed him by Young Diggins at the weight, 123 pounds.

Although the Willie Moore-Reds Butler bout was a poor match, from a boxing standpoint, the fans seemed to enjoy the farce as if it was an interesting battle. Butler proved himself such a rank novice that he made Willie also look bad at times.

FIGHT AT LOCAL CLUBS TONIGHT



Tandler has proved himself one of the best bantams in local ranks by his brilliant boxing this season. Tonight he will meet the biggest test of his career when he opposes Louisiana at the Olympia. Holt is 50 per cent of the wind-up at the Quaker City Club.

LOCAL ATHLETES NOW HAVE INCENTIVE TO TRAIN FOR OPEN TRACK CONTESTS

Hibernian Games Inaugurate Outdoor Season Here on May 31. Artisans to Promote Their Annual Set of Cinderpath Games June 5-Irish Tests to Bring Out Talent.

Track and field athletes of this vicinity now have strong incentive to train like good fellows, as there are two sets of open games announced for the amateurs and more are promised.

The first set will be held Monday, May 31, under the jurisdiction of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, at Point Breeze Park, while the second series will come June 5, under sanction of the Athletic Association of the Artisans' Order of Mutual Protection, at the Central High School field. In this meet there will be closed races and handicap open ones as well.

The Irish national games May 31 will be preceded by appropriate memorial exercises, tributes to Ireland's heroic sons who met death on the battlefields of America. This athletic carnival will be the 4th and is sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic Union.

The following events, all scratch, are open to registered athletes: 150-yard dash, 440-yard run, putting 15-pound shot, one-mile run, pole vault, 440-yard low hurdles, five-mile run, running broad jump, running hop, step and jump; running high jump and 50-pound weight for distance. In addition there will be a one-mile relay race, scratch, open to all schools, colleges and clubs.

Special awards will be made in the one-mile run and the five-mile event. A gold watch will go to the winner in the mile, the second man is to get a solid gold signet ring, the third a pair of solid gold cuff buttons and the fourth athlete in at the tape a solid gold stickpin.

Winners of relay races will receive suitcases for each man. The second and third teams will receive suitcases. Entry fees are 25 cents for the individual events and \$1 for the relays. Officers of the A. O. H. general committee are as follows: Thomas H. Downey, James E. Maguire, William H. O'Neill, Timothy J. Flannery, William J. Holmes. The games committee is as follows: Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell, John O'Dea, Bryan J. Tansey, Michael Fogarty, Henry Boylan, Thomas McMahon, James Brown, Jr., and William J. Sadler.

DELAWARE COUNTY AUTO CLUB WILL HOLD RUN

To Make Trip to Baltimore and Washington Next Saturday.

The Automobile Club of Delaware County will hold a sociability run next Saturday. Those participating will meet just outside of Chester in time to start at 9:30 a. m.

The stop for lunch will be at Havre de Grace, Md., and the afternoon run will be made through Baltimore to Washington. The motorists will leave Washington at 4 p. m. Sunday, returning to Baltimore, and on Monday the return will be made from the latter city.

DEVON HORSE SHOW MAY 27, 28, 29, 31

NATIONAL LEAGUE PARK PHILLIES VS. CINCINNATI GAME AT 3:30 P. M. Admission, 25c, 50c and 75c. Box seats, \$1. On sale at Gimbel's and Spalding's.

OLYMPIA A. A. Broad & Baltimore TONIGHT, 8:30 SHARP LOUISIANA vs. LEW TENDLER. Adm. 25c. Bal. Res. 50c. Arena Res. 75c. \$1.

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