# ATHLETICS REGAIN SOME OF OLD-TIME FORM-WOMEN'S NATIONAL TENNIS TOURNEY

"WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND"

#### ATHLETICS, TWELVE GAMES BEHIND, STILL HAVE CHANCE

Team Looks Better Than Braves at This Time in 1914-Philadelphia Women Now Taking Active and Vital Part in Sports. Golf and Tennis Hold Interest.

The Athletics suffered three defeats out of five games played during last Week, but there is no denying that the team is rapidly rounding into the form that was expected of it, and it is not entirely impossible that the Mackmen will make a sensational finish such as the Braves staged last season in the National League. Today the Athletics are not as far back as the Braves were at this time last season, and the team looks 50 per cent, better than did Boston.

History does not repeat often in baseball, but on what the other American League clubs have shown here, there is no reason for counting the Athletics absolutely out of the race just yet. It must be admitted that the Mackmen have only one chance in a thousand, and perhaps not that, of repeating the Braves performance of 1914, but they have a chance, and the great improvement in the pliching department since the return of the team from the West presages good things for the fans,

#### Twelve-game Handicap May Be Overcome

Twelve games are a big handicap to overcome, but when one considers that the Athletics were 16 full games behind in 1911 in the middle of June, and still won the pennant with eight games to spare, the feat does not appear

It will be argued that the Athletics then had the greatest machine that baseball has ever known, but that does not alter the fact that this marvelous team could not win then with four pitching, while the Braves, an admittedly inferior team in 1914, did win simply because of its wonderful pitching staff. Good pitching makes a vast difference in a ball team, and the Athletics have not had a fair chance yet because of the poor pitching.

Admitting that Collins and Baker have been sadly missed in more ways than one, it is likely that the Athletics would be right where they are today, even with these stars in the line-up, with the quality ofpitching they have had, The team has tallied four and five runs a day without Collins and Baker, and this should be enough to win nine games out of ten with the pitching staff holding up its end.

#### The Play That Spoiled Alexander's Hopes

Fancy the position of Arthur Butler, the St. Louis shortstop, who spoiled a no-hit game for Alexander the Great by singling with two men out in the ninth inning on Saturday. Butler was about to be released by the Cardinals, and naturally was trying his utmost to make good, but he unconsciously hurt his chances by getting that base hit. Reports from St. Louis state that his own teammates abused him for spoiling one of the greatest pitching performances in years, and the Philly players were enraged because Butler is alleged to have told Killefer that he was pulling for a no-hit game for Alexander. Alexander lobbed up a slow one and Butler crossed them all by lacing it into centre for a single. Killefer was so enraged that he threw his mask at Butler as he ran to first, while his teammates on the bench "rode" him in full hearing of the

And yet, what was Butler to do? When ball players cease trying the game will no longer fascinate the spectators, but there has always been an unwritten law among players that when a man goes until but one man is to be retired for a pitcher to turn in a no-hit game the last batsman should not try to hit unless his team has a chance for victory. St. Louis had no chance to win, and the fans, as well as the players of both teams, thought Butler should have

#### Managing St. Louis Has Aged Branch Rickey

Branch Rickey, the youthful manager of the Browns, is a vastly different man today than he was a year ago. When Rickey first was appointed manager of the Browns his boyish appearance and illuminating smile were commented upon throughout the country, but handling a losing club with a lot of bad actors has aged Rickey in the last seven months. He no longer wears the perpetual smile, and is a stern taskmaster,

Rickey's ideas of managing a ball club last season were unique, and for a time he got the results, until some of the less intelligent men on his club took advantage of him. So different was Rickey's method of running the club and Severoid was retired. James fanned. that he was termed the "Sunday School Manager." He is a great religious No runs, no hits, no errors. and Y. M. C. A. worker, and even now refuses even to attend a game on Sunday, though it may be an important battle for his club. On Sundays Jimmy Austin, the peppery third baseman, acts as manager.

This season Rickey does not associate with his players so much, and is a stern leader. That he has not had more success is due to the number of accidents his players have had, and through the insubordination of Hamilton and Baumgartner. He expects his team to finish in the first division, or at least to top the second division.

Rickey is also one of those who believe the Mackmen are sure to be back in the race. He says: "There is a wonderful improvement in Mack's team since we first met them in St. Louis, and if those young pitchers get control they are going to upset the 'dope.' The club is still a powerful aggregation when Its regulars are in the game, and with good pitching it is likely to cause the leaders lots of worry before long. I can't see why they should fail to finish

#### Philadelphia Women Athletes Increasing in Number and Efficiency That the American public is rapidly developing the British habit in sports

-participation rather than inert spectatorship-is generally conceded. But the great increase in the number and efficiency of women athletes has been somewhat overlooked.

At the present time more women and girls are playing golf and tennis in Philadelphia, and elsewhere, in this country than at any previous time. The paritanic idea of women not indulging in athletics has long gripped the minds of the women, but the mental worm is now turning with unprecedented vim.

The two big events for women golfers and lawn tennis players recently need in at the Merion Cricket Club, Haverford, afforded an excellent portunity for proving the interest taken in these contests. While the tennis these were in progress the galleries were extremely large, both men and men crowding close around the play to follow closely the progress of the competed in at the Merion Cricket Club, Haverford, afforded an excellent opportunity for proving the interest taken in these contests. While the tennis matches were in progress the galleries were extremely large, both men and women crowding close around the play to follow closely the progress of the game. When the finals were played on Saturday between Mrs. Marshall McLean, Morristown, and Mrs. C. N. Beard, Cynwyd, the interest was intense, in spite of the fact that the Morristown player easily took the match in

Not only did Mrs. McLean prove that she was an excellent general on the courts in singles, but when teamed with Miss Molla Bjurstedt, Norway, she showed she was able to adapt her style to doubles in such an effective manner that she and her partner had little trouble in winning the event,

In the women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles, the quality of tennis exhibited by the participants was the best, on the average, that has ever been seen in a local tournament. Some better individual players from other sections have participated in local lawn tennis meetings, but never before, has the field been so productive of as many high-grade players as the past one revealed.

### Philadelphia Women Golfers Victorious

While the laws tennis matches were being played at Merion last week, the women golfers were engaged in the games for the Clement A. Griscom cup. These matches consisted in a three-cornered "Round Robin" among New York, Boston and Philadelphia. The final matches on Saturday between the local women and the metropolitan players was a sweeping victory for the Philadelphians, most of whom played unusually consistent golf.

The excellent work of Mrs. C. H. Vanderbeck, Mrs. Ronald H. Barlow, Mrs. E. H. Fitler and Miss Catherine Davis in all of their matches was largely reaponsible for the tide turning in favor of the Philadelphia players. In the final interclub matches Saturday, Mrs. Vanderbeck showed splendid form in defeating Miss Lillian Hyde, Metropolitan champion. In her match with Miss Marion Hollis, New York. Mrs. Barlow played her best game of the tournament, winning 3 up and 2 to go.

During the time of the local matches, Walter Travis, the Garden City expert, was winning his way through a field of excellent golfers for the Metropolitin title over the Apawamis course, at Rye, N. Y.



#### SHAWKEY WEAKENS AND ST. LOUIS WINS

Continued from Page One Walker made a fine catch of McInnis' fly. Lapp singled to left. Austin threw out Malone. No runs, one hit, no errors.

THIRD INNING. Barry threw out Lavan. McInnis made a great pick-up of Shawkey's poor throw

Shotten walked. Shotten died stealing. Lapp to Barry. Austin singled to right. Fratt out, Shawkey to McInnis, Austin going to second. C. Walker fouled to Lapp. No runs, one hit, no errors. Barry filed to Lavan. Shotten bauked against the bleacher wall for Walsh's wall for Walsh's long drive. Oldring flied to Austin. No rung, no hits, no errors.

### FIFTH INNING.

Oldring made a great catch of E. Walk-er's drive. Kauffman singled to left. Lavan singled to right, and on a hit and run play Kauffman went to third. Sev-eroid sacrifice flied to Murphy, Kauffman scoring and Lavan going to second on the throw to the plate. James best scoring and Lavan going to second on the throw to the plate. James beat out an infield hit. Shotten singled to centre, scoring Lavan. James going to third and Shotten going to second. Austin filed to Murphy. Two runs. four hits, no errors. McInnis illed to C. Walker. Austin threw out Lapp. Malone singled to right, Kopf filed to Shotten. No runs. one hit, no errors.

### SIXTH INNING.

Pratt flied to Walsh. Malone threw out

SEVENTH INNING. Kauffman out, Barry to McInnis, Lavan flied to Walsh. Severoid singled to centre. Shawkey threw out James. No runs, one t, no errors.

Lavan threw Oldring out. McInnis went out the same way. Lapp tripled to right. Malone was hit on the shoulder. Davies batting in place of Kopf. Davies hit to Lavan, who touched second, forcing Malone No. 2018. lone. No runs, one hit, no errors.

### EIGHTH INNING.

Lear playing third base for the Athletics. Shotten singled to centre. Austin beat out a bunt. Shotten and Austin pulled a double steal. Pratt singled to left, scoring Shotten and Austin. Pratt died stealing, LaLpp to Malone. C. Walker singled to right. E. Walker singled to left. C. Walker died stealing, Lapp to Lear. Kaufman singled past Barry. Lavan lined to Murphy. Two runs, six hits, no errors.

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Thompson batted for Shawkey. Thompson flied to Shotten. Pratt threw out Murphy. Barry singled to centre. Walsh filed to C. Walker. No runs, one hit,

### NINTH INNING

W. Davis now pitching for Athletica. Severoid filed to Oldring. James was hit by a pitched ball. Shotten filed to Mur-phy. Austin walked. Bratt out, McIn-nia unassisted. No runs, no bits, no er-

Oldring singled to centre. McInnis flied oldring singled to centre. Mclinis nied to Shotten. Lapp doubled to left, Oldring stopping at third. Austin threw out Majone. Oldring scoring. Strunk battling for Lear. Strunk filed to Shotten. One run,

# TRALEE ROMPS HOME IN BELMONT OPENER

Edna Kenna Is Second in Fivefurlong Dash, With Broom Corn Showing.

BELMONT tPARK, N. Y., June 7 .- Tra-No runs, no hits, no errors.

Kopf filed out to Lavan. Shawkey struck out. Murphy filed to Pratt. No runs, no hits, no errors.

FOURTH INNING.

Shotten walked. Shotten died stealing.

Corn the show. The race was run in one minute flat.

The summaries:

First race, for 2-year-olds, selling, \$300 sided, 5 turiongs straight-Traice, 102, P. Lowder, I to 4, out, out, wen; Edna Kena, 104, L. Allen, 12 to 1, 3 to 1, 7 to 10, second; Broom Corn, 98, Lilly, 8 to 1, 7 to 2, 2 to 3, third, Time, 1:00. Fish Walk and Jerry, Jr., also; ran. 106. J. Allen, 12 to 1, 3 to 1, 7 to 10, second. Broom Corn. 98. Lilly, 8 to 1, 7 to 5, 2 to 5, third. Time, 1:00. Fish Walk and Jerry, Jr. Second race, for 3-year-olds and up, salling, 8600 added 1 1-16 miles—Wooden Shoes, 106, J. McCaley 5 to 2, even, 2 to 5, won; G. M. Miller, 111. Lafferty, 5 to 2, even, 2 to 6, won; G. M. Miller, 114. Lafferty, 5 to 2, even, 2 to 7 to 5, 10 5, third. Time, 1:47. Guy Flaher, Third race, for 3-year-olds and up, selling, purse 8500, 69 furious and race, 10 to 5, 10 to 5, third. Time, 1:47. Guy Flaher, Third race, for 3-year-olds and up, selling, purse 8500, 69 furious and course—Oratund, Shore, 101. Lawder, 11 to 5, even, 1 to 2, 6 to 5, 10 3, third. Time, 1:20.5. Perthashire, Mack B. Eubanks, Hechoven. Aziade and Lilla Bryson, 108. Lafferty, 16 to 5, even, 1 to 2, 6 to 5, 10 3, third. Time, 1:20.5. Perthashire, Mack B. Eubanks, Hechoven. Aziade and Lilla Bryson, 108. Lafferty, 16 to 5, even, 1 to 2, 6 to 6, third. Time, 1:20.5. Perthashire, Mack B. Eubanks, Hechoven. Aziade and Lilla Bryson, 108. Lafferty, 16 to 5, even, 1 to 2, 6 to 6, third. Time, 1:20.5. Perthashire, Mack B. Eubanks, Hechoven. Aziade and Lilla Bryson, 108. Lafferty, 16 to 5, even, 1 to 2, 6 to 6, third. Time, 1:20.5. Perthashire, Mack B. Eubanks, Hechoven. Aziade and Lilla Bryson, 108. Lafferty, 16 to 5, even, 1 to 2, 6 to 6, third. Time, 1:20.5. Adams Stope, 101. Golden Gate, 109, Flah Walk 109. Fifth race, for 1-year-olds and up, maidens, selling, mile—Corn 13; "Etrimean, 94; "Sam Sick, 96; Vifft, 97; Irish Boy, 104; "Sam Sick, 96; Vifft, 97; Irish Boy, 104; "Sam Sick, 96; Vifft, 97; Irish Boy, 104; "Sam Sick, 96; Vifft, 97; Irish Boy, 105. Sam Sick, 96; Vifft, 97; Irish Boy, 105.

out, third. Time, 1.39. Adams Express also ran.
Fifth rare the Centreport Steeplechase, handlesp, selling, \$700 added, about 2 miles—handlesp, selling, \$700 added, about 2 miles—Old Salt, 153, Tuckey, 2 to 1, 4 to 5, 2 to 5, won; Syoaset, 146, M. Henderson, 9 to 5, 7 to 16, 1 to 3, second; Bryndor, 144, L. Frankfin, 8 to 1, 8 to 2, 4 to 5, third. Time, 4:13. Guncotton, Frijolee, Free and Easy, Rock, Abbey and Zellwood also ran.
Sixth race for maidens, 3-year-olds and up, selling, purse \$500, seven furlongs, main course.
Folly, 116, Buxton, 6 to 5, 1 to 2 won; Frairie, 107, Lowder, 9 to 2, 8 to 5, 7 to 10; second: Dinah Do, 163, Hopkins, 9 to 2, 8 to 5, 7 to 10; second: Dinah Do, 163, Hopkins, 9 to 2, 8 to 5, 7 to 10; second: Dinah Do, 163, Hopkins, 9 to 2, 8 to 5, 7 to 10; third, Time, 1:25 2-5, El Bind, Sir William Johnson and Star and Garter also ran.

Lew Tendler Nine Loses Lew Tendler nine lost to the Potter F. C. of South Philadelphia, yesterday morning at Pront and Dickinson streets, by the score of 6 to 5. It was a trilling battle throughout. The feature of the game was the battery work for Tendler of Brown and Ostrow.

# EPPA RIXEY BEGINS AGAINST CARDINALS

Continued from Page One Beacher off first. Two runs, three hits,

THIRD INING Bancroft out, Butler to Hyatt. Byrne

filed to Long. Becker grounded to Butler. No runs, no hits, no errors. Miller singled to right. Long popped to Niehoff. Miller died stealing, Burns to Bancroft. Dolan flied to Becker. No runs, no hits, no errors.

#### BELMONT PARK ENTRIES FOR TUESDAY'S RACES

Thomassen in Lottery Trouble NEW ORLEANS, June 7.—Thomas Thomassen, local agent for the Weekly World, a baseball publication operated in connection with a baseball pool, today was fined \$250 on the ground that he was

operating a lottery. OLYMPIA A. A. Broad and Balnbridge TONIGHT, 8:30 SHARP WILLIE MOORE vs. WALTER MOHR Adm. 25c. Bal. Res. 50c. Arena Res. 75c, \$1.

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beranton, Pa.—Scranton Storage Battery Co., 321 N. Washington Ave.

ton Ave.
Williamsport, Pa.—Harer-Wurster Co. West St., rear Post Office.
Wilkesharre, Pa.—Kitsee Battery Co. 62 N. Main St.
Sconton, N. J.—Brock's Garage, Inc., Canal St., at State. 

# MISS BJURSTEDT AND MRS. WIGHTMAN WIN

# First Round for Women's National Lawn Tennis Honors.

ST. MARTINS, Pa., June 7. - Mrs. George Wightman, nee Hazel Hotchkiss, of Pasadena, Cal., and Miss Molla Bjurstedt, of Norway, the favorites for the final in the tournament for the wemen's national lawn tennis championship at the Philadelphia Cricket Club, St. Mar-tions, won their first round matches to-

day with little effort.

Miss Bjørstedt defeated Mrs. C. R.
Wainwright, Philadelphis Cricket Club,
6-0, 6-1, and Mrs. Wightman reached the second round at the expense of the only other Californian in the event, Mrs. D. H. Wood. The latter wors a piece of court plaster over her left eye as a remembrance of the slight accident she membrance of the slight accident site sustained while playing in the State championship at Merion last week. As Miss Hotchkiss, Mrs. Wightman won the national title here in 1909, 1910 and 1911,

and thus obtained permanent possession of the Wissahickon cup. The last year the trophy was won outright by Miss Mary Browne, another Californian title holder in 1912, 1913 and 1914, Miss Browne is not playing in the tournament this

The preliminary round was completed gle surprise. The upset was the victory gained by Miss Phyliis Welsh, of Merion, over Mrs. B. S. Briggs, formerly Dorothy Green, of Merion, after three sets, scores

Mrs. Marshall McLean, of Morristown, N. J., the Pennsylvania State champion advanced by default.

Summaries:
PRELIMINARY BOUND:
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Mins M. Vanderholf, Weat Side, defeated
Miss E. Cheston, Philadelphia Cricket, 6-1, 6-1,
Miss E. H. Katzenberg, Philmont, defeated
Miss Caroline Culley, Philadelphia Cricket,
Miss Caroline Culley, Philadelphia Cricket, Piorence Ballin, West Side, defeated Hannah Wright, Philadelphia Cricket, Miss Deborah Seal, Merian, defeated Miss Edith Hopkins, Philadelphia Cricket, 6:1, 6:2.

FIRST ROUND.

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Mrs. R. Pope. West Side. won from Mrs. R. ewis, Philadelphia Cricket, by default.

Miss Molla Bjuratedt, Norway, default.

R. Walnwright, Philadelphia Cricket, 6-0, Miss M. Guthrie, Pittsburgh, defeated Miss Duhring, Philadelphia Cricket, 6-1, 6-1, Miss G. Henry, Germantown, won from Miss crirode Hollis, Philadelphia Cricket, by de-

PPRELIMINARY KOUND. Miss Phillis Waish, Merion, defeated Mrs. B. Briggs, Merion, 2-8, 6-1, 7-5, Miss Marion Creawell, Philadelphia Cricket, lub, defeated Miss Eleanor Carey, Baltimore,

Club, defeated Miss Eleanor Carey, Baltimore, 1:-5, 1:-5, 1.-5, 1.-5.
Miss Mary Smith, Merion, defeated Mrs. J. W. Huff, New York, 6-4, 6-5, ...
Mrs. W. H. Newhall, Germantown, defeated Miss Mary Willard, Merion, 6-4, 6-5, ...
Miss J. A. Kissell, Boston, defeated Miss M. A. Fleisher, Painnont, 6-1, 6-6, ...
Miss Gertrude Della Toire, New York, defeated Miss M. T. Thayer, Philadelphia Cricket, 3-6, 6-6, 6-2, ...
Miss A G. Ostheimer, H. V. C. C. defeated Mrs. O. D. Johnston, Belfeld, 6-1, 6-1, ...
Mrs. Herger Wallach, Newport, defeated Miss Hilds Prench, New York, 6-2, 6-3, ...
Mrs. T. A. Cabot, Roston, defeated Miss Clara Chase, Meron, 6-0, 6-2, ...
Miss Eleanore Sears, Boston, defeated Miss Henry, Philadelphia Cricket Club, 6-0, 6-1, ...
Mrs. George Wightman, California, defeated Mrs. D. P. Wood, California, 6-2, 6-2.

#### Baker on Long Cycle Trip

BOSTON, June 7.—Harold N. Baker, of cotton, started from the Statehouse just before noon today for a bicycle trip to the San Francisco and San Diego fairs. He obtained a letter from Mayor James M. Curley to Hon. James Rolph, Mayor of San Francisco, and Governor Welsh sent a message to Governor Hiram Johnson, of California. The cyclist started on the trip with \$5 and a supply of postcard pictures of himself which he will sell on the trip.

# PHIL UNGAR WINNER FIRST DORVAL RACK

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