# VAN LOAN'S BASEBALL STORY "LITTLE SUNSET" BEGINS IN MONDAY'S EVENING LEDGER

### HITLESS PHILLIES HELD IN RACE BY WONDERFUL PITCHING, BUT-

Club Returns Home Just Three and a Half Games Behind Leaders, But Hurling Staff Is Bound to Weaken Unless Bats Get to Working-Weird Pitching Loses Again for Athletics.

Despite a fearful batting slump that has lasted for more than a month, the Phillies returned from the hardest campaign of the season, in an excellent position, just three and a half games behind the Cubs for first place. The wonderful work of the pitching staff was the feature of the trip, but it should be remembered that the pitchers were aided by the grand defensive play of the entire team and by the splendid catching of Killeter, who worked in every

There were but few local fans who really believed that the team would return so far up in the race as it is today, especially with such weak batting, and there is every reason to believe that the club will start batting now that they have a stretch of a month at home for morning practice.

It is not reasonable to expect the pitchers to continue as they have been going without a break of some sort, and it behooves the rest of the men to be getting plenty of hits and runs to stave off defeat if the pitching staff does

#### Moran's Manipulation of Pitchers a Success

Great credit must be given Manager Moran for the able handling of the pitching staff. In other years the Phillies have been up in the lead until the season was much further advanced, but in those seasons it was apparent that the pitching staff had been worked out of turn so much that the hurlers were ready to break at any minute. Some little incident always arrived, or some series, whereby the staff was completely wrecked, because the management lost sight of the fact that the pennant race was not decided by one victory, but on consistency over the long route.

Moran has made no such mistake, and aside from the strain the twirlers have been under in taking part in so many close, low-score games, there has been sign of weakening.

Alexander and Mayer maintained their dizzy clip, and Moran's careful handling of these stars is responsible for their splendid form at the present time. Alexander has not been used as a relief twirler once to date, whereas in other seasons he has lost much of his strength through being continually used to finish up games. Moran believes that Alexander can turn in victories in 70 per cent, of his starts if worked in turn and not used as a relief pitcher, and he is taking full advantage of this percentage.

Team Fails to Support Chalmers, Rixey and Demaree

Chalmers, Rixey and Demarce were not far behind Alexander and Mayer in twirling, but they did not get the support at bat that was accorded the two headliners. The hitting was weak at all times, but was even weaker when Chalmers, Rixey or Demaree was pitching. On the form shown on the last trip, Moran has five dependable twirlers, instead of two, as was generally believed when the team left home.

In Brooklyn and Boston the Phillies were rudely treated and appeared to be skidding badly, but as soon as the team arrived in the West it showed a complete reversal of form and more than held its own in every other series, though they could not get better than an even break in Cincinnati and Pittsburgh.

#### Wild Pitching Chucks Away Another Ball Game

The Highlanders took the final game of the series from the Athletics yesterday, when Joe Bush made a wild pitch with two out and two men on bases in the tenth inning. Bush had relieved Rube Bressler, with the bases filled, in the seventh inning, and the Athletics two runs in the lead. It turned out to be a bad move, as Pipp, batting for McHale, singled and Maisel doubled, sending four runs across the plate. This gave the Yankees a lead, but the Athletics came back in their half of the seventh and tied the game up through some clever base running by Walsh and Strunk. Bush, however, falled to take advantage of this opportunity to chalk up a victory and wild-pitched it away.

Lajoie in Fine Form; Malone Playing Third

Lajoic returned to the game yesterday and aided greatly with three hits and several pretty fielding plays. The return of the famous slugger enabled Manager Mack to switch Malone over to third base, a move he had planned making two weeks ago, but Lajole was slow in recovering from his injury. Malone made one error, a bad throw to McInnis, but, on the whole, he looked good in his new position. He has plenty of life, starts fast after ground balls, tags runners well and has a splendid whip. Offensively, the youngster had a had day, striking out the first three times he faced McHale. The latter mixed a spitter with a fine curve ball on Malone, and the youngster was pulled badly

#### Shift of Strunk to Right Field a Wise Move

From a local standpoint the grand all-round work of Amos Strunk was the feature of yesterday's game. Since he has been moved into right field, Strunk's work has been better than ever, instead of falling off, as was predicted. There is an old saying in baseball that playing the sunfield will ruin a man's batting eye in time, but it has had the opposite effect on Strunk, and the claim appears ridiculous when one considers that Cobb, Crawford, Cravath, John Collins and many other sluggers have spent the greater part of their careers in that field. As a right fielder, Strunk has not an equal in either league today for

fielding. He was a wonder in centre and is even better in right, because his great speed and sureness on ground balls enables him to hold many drives to singles that would go for doubles and triples with other right fielders. It was a good move by Mack and would give the Athletics a powerful outfield if a strong left-handed hitter could be found for centre. Davies is still too green and is not dependable.

# "Silk" O'Loughlin Arouses Ire of Connie Mack

Once again Manager Mack has objected to umpiring. Again it was "Silk" O'Loughlin who aroused the ire of the lanky leader. Ever since O'Loughlin's famous decision in the 17-inning game between the Athletics and Detroit in 1907 there has been more or less dissatisfaction against the umpiring of O'Loughlin in this city, and President Johnson assigns O'Loughlin elsewhere when it is possible.

There is no denying the fact that several of O'Loughlin's base decisions stick, but I don't believe they can go the yesterday seemed to be far off color. In calling Maisel safe at third on his full route. April, May and June in baseattempted steal in the tenth inning O'Loughlin erred if ever an umpire did, and this steal placed Maisel in position to score the winning run on Bush's wild This is no attempt to place the blame for the Athletics' defeat on any tell the story. But if I had to make the Bush, but, as one sage in the press box remarked: "There are no close a guess as to the next world series in the city. They are all given would be to pick the Cubs and Red Sox." one but Bush, but, as one sage in the press box remarked: "There are no close plays when O'Loughlin is umpiring a game in this city. They are all given the other way."

Eddie Collins continues to slug the ball. It was his double that won the wonderful 19-inning game from Cleveland for the White Sox yesterday. This was the second 19-inning game of the season, and developed into a remarkable pitching duel between Faber and Morton, two of the star pitchers of the

Heinie Zimmerman acted as a pinch hitter for the Cubs yesterday after a long lay-off as the result of an injury. He doubled, sending home the tying run and stole home a minute later with the winning tally of a weird game. Nine pitchers were used by the Cards and Cubs, and the final score was 14 to 13. . . .

The catch made by Fritz Maisel off Wally Schang closing the final game of the home stand was a marvel. He grabbed the ball with his gloved hand after taking a headong dive over close to the foul line. Had the ball gone safe it was a sure double and the Mackmen would have had an excellent chance to tie the score.

It is likely that the whole aspect of the game would have been changed had Waish not made a bad play on Boone's ordinary single. Two men were out at the time, but he falled to play this drive safe and it bounded past him for a triple, sending two runs over the plate, whereas a safe play would not have permitted a tally, as the hit was too short for Cree to have scored

Ty Cobb and Harry Hooper had great days. Ty made four hits, including a triple and double and stole three bases against the Browns, while Hooper made three hits and scored five runs against the Senators.

The Delaware County League does not care how much trouble it has on its hands. The Media Club has signed Larry McLean, the suspended catcher of the Glants. It has advertised him to catch against Upland on Saturday.

SOMEBODY'S ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



#### PICKING WINNERS IN BASEBALL RACE

By GRANTLAND RICE

Man's inhumanity to man Makes countless thousands rush the can

In the rabid discussion as to whether Maranville or Bush is the greatest shortstop, we see no same reason for crowding out young Bancroft, who can shortstop with either and not lose a sprig from the laurel upon his clammy brow.

Russia has not only adopted the old motto that "He who fights and runs away will live to fight another day"—but she han also added a new one, to this effect—

"He who surrenders in defeat Will also live to sleep and eat."

#### A Challenge in Crimson

Sir-If Yale has cheers to shed, let her prepare to shed them now before the New London race is over. For once the blades of her eight strike water it will be too late. This is a fair warning, delivered in the friendliest possible spirit.

CRIMSON, '09.

Which recalls a prediction made a day or two ago by a keen observer of collegi-ate sport-to wit: "Harvard will wind up the week with a clean sweep in all important events. She will beat Yale on the water and at baseball. But I believe it will be the end for some time of her victorious march. Next year the Fates will switch back to Yale, and the Blue will take its oid place in football as well as on the water. While I have no pre-tentious reasons for backing this state-ment up, the signs read that way to me and the hunch is inclined in that direc-tion. The long lane held by Harvard will turn again next fall."

# A Player's Viewpoint

A day or two ago we were discussing the American and National League races with a ball player of considerable acumen, etc. He had this to say:

"In the National League it will be Bos-ton and Chicago at the finish, with Chicago in front by a narrow shave. Bresnahan has his machine running amooth-ity, and he has the stuff to win with. The Braves will make a fight for it into the stretch, but I don't believe they can beat out the Cubs.

"In the American League it will be loston. The Red Sox will finish in front, with Detroit second. The White Sox may ball are only the preliminaries. The grind doesn't begin to show until July, and it isn't until July that class starts in to tell the story. But if I had to make

# Between Trenches

"There they lay between the trenches, thousands by thousands, their set faces upturned to the stars."-News dispatch.

Bo there was nothing left for them to do Except to sleep and wait, gray row by

Perhaps to dream until all time is through Where there are fates so much worse one might know.

We might be willing to offer an opin-ion as to the winner in the National League—or the American—but we'd esteem it no great privilege to be forced to back

The loud cheering in the distance has in no degree any umpirical tone. Not so as you might notice it.

No More Boxing in Michigan

Store Team to Play Oilmen The Strawbridge & Clothiar buseball teas will play the strong Allantic Refining nir Sarurday, at 0.30 o'clock, at the grounds if and Walmat streets Liebert, of Pean Stator Swifer, of the University of Pennsylvania will pitch for Atlantic Refining. The Strawbridge & Clothier team has been considerable screngthened, and a good game is expected.

# "THE BONEHEAD"

The Big Game With the Turks Is On-Haskins Plays a Good Game-Eleventh Inning, Score 0-0.

#### BY CHARLES E. VAN LOAN

is talking to Haskins.

Haskins registers as Henry Harrington.

Left alone in the hotel, he indulges his
natural gift for talking and tells a strangeall about it. He explains all about the
oresics! baseball, the use of the brain on
the diamond, and says that the day of the
old-time rowdy ball player is past. The
stranger, in fact, is Ernle Langham, a sports writer for a newspaper in
the Rebels' home town.

Haskins meets the players, is snubbed,
and allowed to practice with the youngsters.
Presently, during the game, he begins to
criticise "Tib" Conkey, at third for the
Rebels. He is "rossted" by the older
players.

The Rebels return bone and Haskins'

the coal of conceit into a live flame. A given him favor with his teammates. Haskins was not humble. He was proud his alias. He chose to believe that his previous conduct had been justified by his

The other players shook their heads and chuckled.

from silent hostility to amused tolera-tion. It is easy to tolerate a young player tion. It is easy to tolerate a young player who is hitting above 300, and any third haseman who can expedite a slow bunt on the line has a right to his theories. The Rebels wanted to win their games and set out of the second division; if Haskins could help them "he could swell up until he busted," as Daly put it.

The Turks lost the first game and the second, but won the third. A position in the first division was possible if the Rebels won the fourth game, and the morn-

acks" Tervill, his best left-hander, and old man opposed Tacks with Shanghal Scott, the spitball expert.

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weak grounders.

again. The game went into extra innings

On the field and on the bench as well

"The next day the young egotist ex-pounded to Kidney Foot Perkins the

true theory of the waste ball."

twisting fouls, made a hair-raising bare

hand stab of a line drive and one of the

three hits made off the redoubtable Tacks

was credited to "'Mr.' Haskins, 3d b."

Turks at bat.

The eleventh inning arrived, with the

"Come on now, Shang!" said J. Arthur

cheerfully. "A little gray matter on the

Two Turks retired in bad order, and

then came the notorious "Round-trip' McManus, so named because of his abil-ity to lace out home runs.

(CONTINUED TOMORROW.)

The second story by Charles E. Van

Loan will begin in next Monday's

Evening Ledger

Boxing at Gayety Theatre Tonight

"Close your trap!" grunted Scott.

but the hard-worked reporters.

the vociferous delight of every one

Old man Terhune, manager of the Rebels, engages the services of J. Arthur Haskins. a college third baseman. Bunk Williams breaks the news to the boye, explaining that the old man thinks the Rebels are weak on brainwork. Atwood, the scout, is talking to Haskins.

layers. The last coated by the blavers.
The Rebels return bome and Haskins' ntorview with Ernie Langham appears. He is boycotted, but an accident puts him in the game. He makes a flying etart, laying like a veteran, and is praised by he team.

Success was all the boy needed to fan decent amount of humility would have -so proud that he forgot to remonstrate with the reporters who failed to respect showing on the field, and he strutted and posed and patronized from his second

He played five games without an error and his batting, average was .316. The reporters were beginning to mention his name in their opening paragraphs; the fans, suspicious at first, began to cheer him. After his third game, he criticised Shanghai Scott's delivery. Shanghai wanted to punch his head, but forbore when he remembered that it was Haskins' triple which won the game for him. The next day the young egotist ex-

ounded to Kidney-foot Perkins the true theory of the waste ball, and Kidney-foot, who had been a big leaguer when J. Arthur first put on long trousers, grin-ned as he listened.

"It's coming to him," they said. "He'll make a bonehead play some day, and after that he'll behave himself." The attitude of the team had changed

ity to lace out home runs.

"Oho! This is him!" shrilled Jerry Shay, the Turk coacher, behind third base. "This is the woolly wolf! Lean on it Mac! Lean on it!"

Shanghai raised his glove to his mouth and went through the motions of anointing the horsehide. Shanghai had a deceitful trick of pretending to prepare a spiter and then sneaking over a fast, dry strike. The batter never knew until it was too late. Round-trip McManus waited, waging his bat up and down. Like all heavy hitters, he had no love for a wet ball.

Shanghai unbent himself, and the ball whiszed up to the plate. McManus took a chance, and lashed out with a swift, chopping swing. There was no drop on the ball, no diminishing in its speed. McManus caught it fairly on the trademark for a long, low screamer into right field.

(CONTINUED TOMORROW.) Even Ernie Langham, who conscientiously affixed a "Mister" to Haskins' name in the box scores, admitted that J. Arthur was "the goods." He was a better fielder than the lamented Conkey. a faster base runner and by forty points a better hitter. Haskins had proved the soundness of his baseball theories by the way he handled the ball when it came to him. He knew what to do with the ball when he got his glove on it.

Then the Turks came swinging along the circuit with full intent to cinch their position at the end of the first division by jamming the presumptuous Rebels back where they belonged. Three games out of four would put the Rebs in fourth place and the Turks in fifth. The fews-papers were calling upon the Rebels for the necessary spurt; the fans were cla-morous. The home town wished to see the Rebels in the first division.

ing papers told them all about it.

Manager Larkin, of the Turks, selected

The ciphers began to crawl into post-tion on the scoreboard. Inning after in-hary range.

#### WHAT MAY HAPPEN IN BASEBALL TODAY NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Win. .611 .545 .541 .527 .500 .460 .439 Won. Lost. Pet. 32 21 .604 .29 25 .537 .32 28 .538 .28 26 .519 .27 28 .401 .22 27 .440 .24 .22 29 .431 AMERICAN LEAGUE 41 20 .672 36 25 .590 30 21 .588 30 26 .596 27 26 .596 21 36 .368 21 36 .368 21 37 .863 ning rolled by without a figure to break Boston 3 New York 3 Washington 2 \*Cleveland 2 \*St. Louis 2 Athletics 3 \*Not scheduled. the circular monotony of the 'horse-collar" score. Terrill kept on lobbing in his pussling strikes and Shanghai's moistened sphere continued to plop into Kidney's foot's glove. It was a tight game, with the hits wide apart, many fly balls and FEDERAL LEAGUE. The lucky seventh arrived with the fans on their feet. Later they sat down

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#### Arthur Haskins was the life of the RUNS SCORED BY party. His flow of conversation was

ceaseless. He exuded advice, encourage-ment, and theory. He had nabbed two MAJORS THIS WEEK NATIONAL LEAGUE AMERICAN LEAGUE. New York Detroit

> Kannae City WILEY TO RIDE IN BIKE

FEDERAL LEAGUE.

RACES AT POINT BREEZE Didier, Game Frenchman, Also to Contest in Next Race.

George Wiley, Syracuse, N. Y., who ost the world's championship to Clarence Carman last year, has been signed to ride at the Point Breeze Motordrome next Thursday night. He will be pitted against Clarence Carman, who won the big race last night.
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# FRESHMAN HUNTER RETURNS TO BOAT

Penn's No. 2 Oarsman Has Recovered From Boil Attack Varsity Finishes Its Work.

POUGHREEPSIE, N. T., June B. Ideal conditions ruled on the Hudson today, and while interest was shared at the Pennsylvania quarters between the practice of the morning and the outcome of the Yale-Harvard Varsity race, the Quakers went through their finishing pages with a will,

Nickalls gave more attention to his

eights individually than since coming here, as he took the varsity and junter crews out first, moving them down the river for some practice spurts and a row of a mile and a half between. Later he returned for his freshman eight and gave these men the same treatment, Hunter, No. 2, in the freshman, was in his seat today for the first time since last Saturday, Doctor Bodley having cured him of his boil. Coach Rice gave his men like attenti

coach Rice gave his men has attention, taking the varsity eights down the river early and, returning, brought the Freshman and four-oared boats out for a row to the bridge and back. Rice likewise worked his three crews at starting. Courtney covered two miles down the river at an easy clip. He said totay that he had not rowed his eights against the watch since coming here.

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Ten Eyck fears his will tose Minard, No. 2, in the Syracuse Varsity. He cut his hand yesterday morning, but rowed in the afternoon. Today it was slightly infected, and he was in none too good shape, so will be kept out of the beat until a change sets in for the better. Dodge is in his place. Ten Eyck states that the time he announced yesterday of 2.17 for two miles was made by his Freshman and not his varsity crew. The Freshies showed this trial without their regular stroke. their regular stroke.

#### WOODLAND TEAM WITH MAYER TWIRLING BEATS LUZERNE

Uptown Carmen Jolted by Strong West Phillie Aggregation, 14-9.

Several hundred spectators saw the Woodland team defeat Luzerne this morning at the Kingsessing grounds, 8th street and Chester avenue, in a P. R. T. game, 14 to 9. The playing of both clubs was good. Thirteen hits were found off Stevenson's shoots, of which two were

Woodland started off in the initial inning with four runs, piled up two more in the second and then clinched the game

with tallies, of three and four in sixth and eighth periods. Luzerne players started a batting rally in the final frame, but it only netted them two runs, the last two sluggers figing out to the fielders.

Score: LUZERNE Totals... 9 12 24 9 4 Totals... 14 13 27 10

Woodland ...... 4 2 0 0 0 8 1 4 3-1

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