

PHILLIES COMPARED WITH THE BOSTON RED SOX "THE CRAB," BY CHARLES E. VAN LOAN

PHILLIES, IF IN WORLD'S SERIES, WOULD HAVE EDGE ON RIVALS

Alexander and Rixey Would Be Strongest Pitchers in League Against Boston Red Sox or Detroit Tigers, but Latter's Sluggers Would Find Park Here Easy

The impression is general that there is not a team in the National League capable of giving either Boston or Detroit a battle in a world's series.

Good left-handed pitchers are scarce in the National League at the present time, and there are few of the so-called star pitchers who do not have to have their opponents picked for them.

Rixey Would Loom Large in World's Series

There are few pitchers in baseball who have mastered the art of keeping their fast ball low without losing its "work."

Only Three Really Good Left-handers in League

Smith and Vaughn are both high-class twirlers, and each can stand more work than Rixey, despite the latter's physical advantages.

Of the entire group there are but two, Benton and Tyler, who are used regularly against all teams.

Phillies Have the Two Star Twirlers Necessary for Series

Almost every world's series since 1908 has been won with two star pitchers, and, all things considered, no team in the National League has two twirlers who could compare with Alexander and Rixey for a series against either Boston or Detroit.

Heavy Artillery of Sox or Tigers Would Count

The greatest disadvantage the Phillies would have in a world's series would be in their games at home.

It might be argued that Hobbitt did not look so good with the Reds in the Philly park, but that was only in his last season, as he hit many drives over the wall and against the fence at Broad and Huntingdon streets in 1911, 1912 and 1913.

Alexander Would Carry Burden of Series

It would not matter who won the American League pennant, the Phillies would depend on Alexander in every other game in a world's series if the Phils won the pennant, and no amount of talk about the weakness of the Red Sox or Tigers could induce Moran to start any twirler but Alexander in the first game.

Of course, the Phillies' chances in a world's series with either team are based here entirely on pitching, as this department is the most important of all in a short series.

Phillies Finally Break Pittsburgh "Jinx"

The Phillies finally broke the spell of the Pirates, but it required a good break of luck before they turned the trick.

Pittsburgh easily outbatted the Phillies, but the visitors' hits were kept well scattered by Rixey, and the Phils supported both Rixey and Alexander in sensational form.

Whitted's Catch Saved the Game

George Whitted continued in his batting slump, but as long as he can pull off plays such as he made on Magee in the Boston series, and on Baird yesterday, he is worth his weight in gold to Moran.

The play seemed to arouse Rixey, who showed by far more in the remaining innings.

Sale of Joe Jackson to Chicago an Outrage

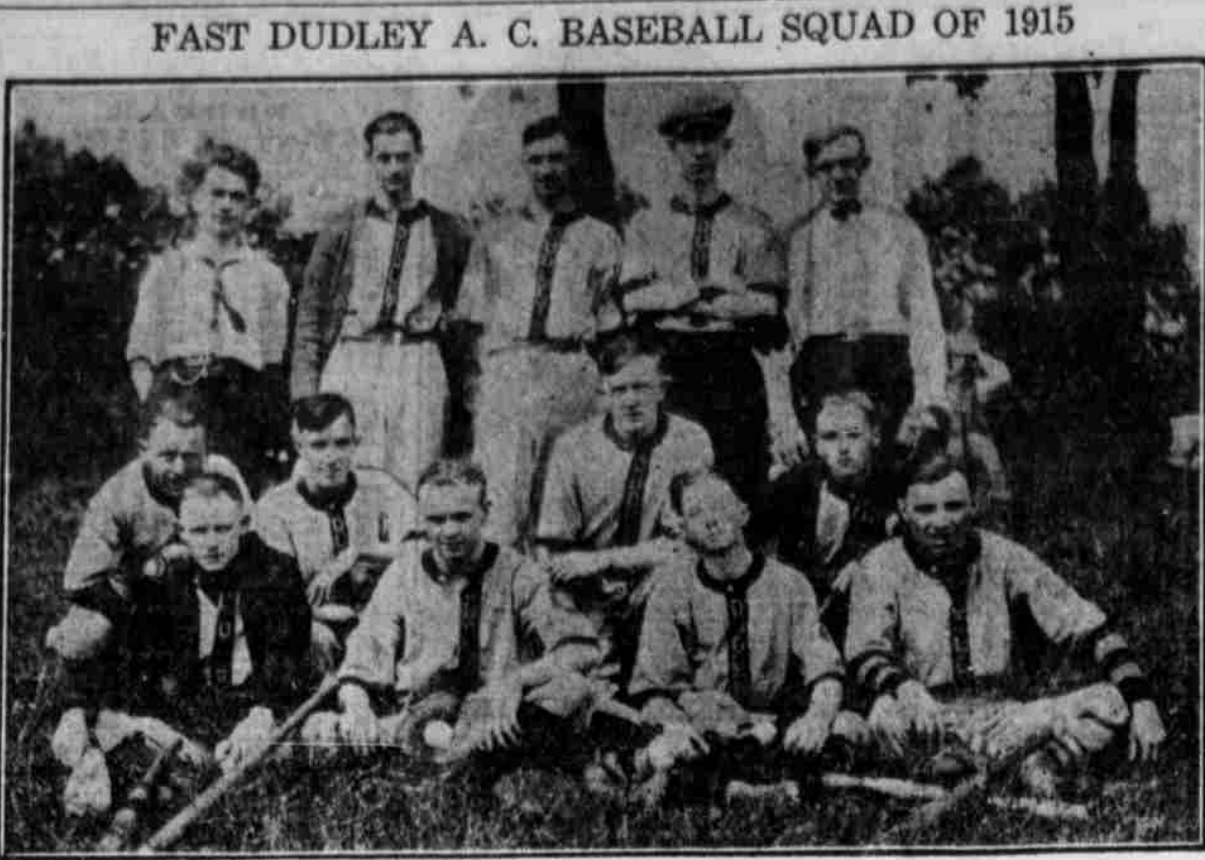
The sale of Joe Jackson, of Cleveland, to the Chicago White Sox is nothing short of an outrage.

Baseball fans and the public generally always have believed in the honesty of the game.

To complete the situation, why not turn over to Comiskey our own Stuffy Molinas, Walter Johnson, of Washington; Ray Caldwell, of the Yankees, and Wetman, of St. Louis?

McQuillen a Valuable Acquisition to Phils

Manager Pat Moran, of the Phillies, has realized for some time that if he could add one more reliable hurler to his pitching staff he would be in a much better position to fight for the pennant until the finish.



The photograph shows the members of the Dudley Athletic Club's baseball team of this year. They are, left to right, standing: Lewis, coach; E. Grosh, first baseman; Blum, pitcher; Dudley, pitcher; J. Hope, trainer; middle row: Captain F. Grosh, left fielder; G. Winchester, third baseman; B. Hope, second baseman; C. De Haven, manager, centre fielder; bottom row: H. Hope, pitcher; Mitros, catcher; W. Winchester, right fielder; F. Bedis, shortstop.

STALENESS IN GOLF FORM CURED BY REST AND CHANGE IN SPORT

Shooting or Mountain Climbing Good, but Prevention Through Sane Indulgence Is Better—When Vardon Beat Course Record With Set of Women's Clubs

By HARRY VARDON, Champion Golfer of Great Britain.

Staleness is just about the most distressing complaint that can be visited upon the golfer.

In other games the person who is suffering from an excess of play or training is put out of his agony quickly; he is so much out of color that it takes very little time to bring about his recovery.

There are plenty of late beginners at the game who would become scratch players if only they would be satisfied with a reasonable amount of golf.

It is a good thing to keep in touch with one's clubs while avoiding the danger of too much play, and it is the fact that golf is possible all the year round in Britain that amounts in a large measure, I think, for the superiority of British golf over American golf, taken in the volume.

Personally, I have never been away from my clubs since I took to golf in earnest a quarter of a century ago.

On the second day the resolution collapsed; I could not resist an invitation to engage in a round, so I was fitted out with a set of ladies' clubs.

If one decides to take a rest from the game—to try and forget all about it for a time—a cure for the "out-of-form" affliction—it is necessary to come back to it, in circumstances that afford the fullest possible opportunity for concentration, and would advise the player to avoid a partner or opponent who is renowned for loquacity.

It is a very long while since I played more than two rounds in a day, I have no means advocating rigid fastidiousness in a third. There is apt to arise in one of those third rounds a stage when the player grows weary of the very sight of his clubs.

HERMAN AND SIMONS, NEW ORLEANS BANTAMS, PLAN INVASION HERE

Brace of Southern Battlers, Each Star "16" Pounders, Will Come North in Search of Fame

LOUISI SUPERSTITIOUS

New York Syndicate May Open Big Arena in This City—Other Boxing Bits

Two bantamweights from below the Mason and Dixon line will invade Philadelphia this season with the hope of annexing scalps and shekles here.

According to Bobby Reynolds, who won the New Orleans title last year, both Herman and Simons are rattling good hands.

Herman and Simo, each are 20 years of age. The former, who is an Italian, was a bootblack before starting his pugilistic career.

The lightweight show of the American Sporting Club, New York-Leach Cross vs. Johnny Harvey, Ad Wolgast vs. Packer Romney and Joe Azevedo vs. Young Brown—for August 18, has been declared off.

RUNS SCORED BY MAJORS FOR WEEK

Table showing runs scored by major league players for the week ending August 21, 1915. Columns include player name, team, and runs scored.

ANOTHER VAN LOAN STORY BEGINS ON NEXT MONDAY

"The Bull Moose of the Bluebeard," a story of a baseball team that lost its soul to a fan, and got his in exchange, is the next Van Loan story for the Evening Ledger's sports page.

THE CRAB A Foul to Left—The Crab Smells It Coming—The Dash for the Fence—And Something About a Collection of Relics Owned by the Crab

By CHARLES E. VAN LOAN, The World's Most Famous Writer of Baseball Fiction.

Henry Gimes, third baseman of the Phillies, was the Crab by his fellow-players by the baseball writers and by the fans. He is a little better than the average, hitting a little better than the average, but not a great deal better.

Copyright, 1915, by Street & Smith. "If this bird hits anything on me," said Kenyon grimly, "it'll be a curve, or I'll walk him."

Slowly the Pink pitcher wound up and delivered the ball. It was a tantalizing curve, and it cut the heart of the plate.

Carsey's yell cut through the jeers and catcalls of the opposition: "Go on, old hoss! There's nothing the matter with your legs!"

The Crab, of whom it was said that he could "smell the direction" of a foul ball, was already flying back toward the stand.

It was dropping now, still far ahead of the other batters.



"The Crab made one more mighty leap—"

him, and as the speak of white changed color as the ball passed out of the sunlight and into the shadow, the Crab knew, without giving the matter thought, that the catch must be made dangerously near the stand.

The old Crab made one more mighty leap, his gloved hand thrust out as an upward scooping motion, his right arm he doubled across his face.

There was an arm about his neck, and the Crab was mildly surprised to find that it belonged to Holmes. What made it stranger still, the manager seemed to be laughing and crying at the same time.

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