

NATIONAL GOLF AT DETROIT—WILLIAMS BEATS F. C. INMAN—OTHER NEWS OF SPORTDOM

"KIDDING" SAUCE OF BASEBALL, SAYS ALEXANDER THE GREAT

Philly Wonder Differentiates Between "Riding" and Real Enjoyable "Kidding"—How a Philly Catcher 'Got the Goat' of One of League's Leading Batsmen

By GROVER CLEVELAND ALEXANDER

Did it ever occur to you that many important baseball games are won or lost because of a chance remark? It seems strange to a fan, no doubt, but it is a fact, nevertheless.

Some players simply cannot play up to the top notch of efficiency when they are "kidded" and some of our baseball players, coaches and managers are clever at making the "ride" to hit at the right moment.

Kindly understand that there is a difference between what is called "kidding" and "riding" and the most complimentary things about the man he is trying to unsettle, about the man he is trying to unsettle.

As it is generally understood, "riding" a player consists of saying uncomplimentary things about him. Personally, I never have noticed in that kind of baseball, written or spoken, a little rough to do and don't believe it is necessary to do as a fellow pitcher, I try to overlook it.

On the other hand, I enjoy a "kidding" match, and if the spectators could hear what is being said on the field in the midst of the most kind of a battle, they would appreciate the game much more than they now do.

Let me illustrate. There was a big-league catcher who was particularly good at the "kidding" game. I have known him to rattle the leading batsman known as to strike out or fail to deliver a hit when it was needed. He knew just what to say and when to say it. It was quite amusing to hear him.

HE WILD FOR KIDDING

One player, and he was one of the best hitters in our league, seldom got a hit behind the bat. I believe that if the bat boy had been pitching it would have been just the same. The batsman had the batsman's "agent" and kept it up and up and up. He would have been satisfied with it. I'll call the catcher Jim and the batter Jack, which may or may not be their first names.

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Well, old fellow, I see you won't take my word for it when I say I want to help you. The batsman would say as he stepped to give me another sign. "Probably you don't want to hit a curve, do you?" he said, one this time. "Gee, you'll believe now."

Jim would give me the sign for another curve, which would cut the outside corner, while Jack almost broke his back, sitting loose at the supposed fast ball.

The catcher would keep this up all season, and by the time the batter was up two or three times in a series, he did not know where he was. Jim would tell him the truth a couple of times, then tell him a couple of times, and mix up the information and misinformation to such a degree that Jack couldn't even guess what was coming. It was worse for him than standing up there figuring out for himself what the pitcher would throw to him.

I believe, if you went over the records, you would find that the player I am referring to did not make more than a couple of hits a season against our club when his nemesis was behind the plate. I have not mentioned the names of the two players, because it would have been fair to them to do so.

BATTING AVERAGE A BOGEY

Another player in the big leagues some years ago was making a hard fight to win the batting championship. He was very susceptible to "kidding," and in the course of one series, which was played in Boston, if I remember correctly, they had him worried so much that he could not get anything resembling a base hit. At the time when the series was being contested, the leading batsman was being pressed by two or three other players. When he was coming up to the plate to take his turn at bat, several would shout at him:

"Tough luck, pal, but we just got word from the press box that Johnson, of Brooklyn, got two hits in his first two times up and Williams, of New York, walked and slammed out a double in his two trips to the plate. That just about puts them both a point or two ahead of you, doesn't it?"

Whether the batter believed them or not I don't know. But he did almost swing his head off trying to hit the ball and did not come anywhere near it. He was so anxious to win the batting championship that he had in his mind all the time and therefore it was easy to "kid" him.

YOUNG PLAYERS TRAPPED

The young player has to keep his head up and his eyes wide open all the time when he first breaks into fast company, or he'll pull "bonehead" plays that will make him look foolish to the crowd who do not understand what has been said on the diamond. Frequently, you will see a young second baseman throw to the keyhole sack to force a runner there when the man is already standing on the bag. He should have tossed the ball to first for an easy out. You call the infielder harrah names.

But did you hear a catcher or some player with a feigning voice yell, "Throw it to second!" Well, an opposing pitcher did shout just that, and he shouted it so the fielder would be sure to hear it and think one of his own players was throwing to the base indicated, never giving stopping to look and see that the runner was on the bag.

FLIRTING WITH THE FLIGHTY DAME



WILLIAMS WINS MATCH IN NATIONAL RACQUET EVENT AT FOREST HILLS

Philadelphia Champion Defeats F. C. Inman, of New York, 7-5, 6-1 and 9-7, in Intercity Contest

WESTSIDE TENNIS CLUB, Forest Hills, L. I., Sept. 1.—A reduction in the number of competitors from 125 yesterday to 64 today made the duties of the committee in charge of the 32nd annual all-comers' tournament for the national lawn tennis singles championship a little less strenuous.

Champion R. Norris Williams, 23, of Philadelphia, and F. C. Inman, former New York State title-holder, were given the grandstand court, and, before a crowd of 1500, play began. The final result was a straight-set victory for the Philadelphia.

Right from the outset it was apparent that the match would be a hummer. Unexpected strength was shown by the former New York State champion, and Williams was compelled to travel a faster pace than at first looked for. At critical stages, however, Williams rose to the necessary heights, advancing to the net and gaining the point with vicious forehand volleys. Williams jumped into the lead in the first set at 5-3, but a grand rally enabled Inman to force the set to deuce.

After deuce was called half a dozen times in the 11th game, Williams regained the lead, and then won the set game to 15. The point score:

Williams 4 2 4 2 5 4 2 5 7 4-7
Inman 0 1 0 4 1 3 1 4 7 5 1-35-5
Total: Williams—Points, 122; games, 22; sets, 3. Inman—Points, 83; games, 13; sets, 0.

George W. Wrightman, Boston, defeated E. D. Inman, Philadelphia, 6-1, 6-1, 6-1.
D. E. Watters, New Orleans, defeated H. H. Hill, New York, 6-1, 6-1, 6-1.
L. E. Franklin, New York, defeated L. W. Cox, Glen Ridge, N. J., 6-2, 6-4, 6-3.
Howard Vossler, New York, defeated Charles L. Johnson, Jr., New York, 6-2, 6-1, 6-2.
R. Norris Williams, 23, Philadelphia, defeated Frederick C. Inman, New York, 7-5, 6-1, 9-7.

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Walter T. Pate, New York, defeated J. H. Blackstone, Chicago, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Charles Rowlett, New York, defeated Edward H. Whitney, New York, 6-3, 6-4, 9-6.

J. B. Adams, Jr., Dallas, defeated Richard Stevens, Houston, 6-1, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5.
Huffman, Longwood, defeated C. J. Post, Jr., 6-3, 6-0, 6-0.
W. C. Campbell, New York, defeated Ralph L. Hagg, New York, 7-5, 6-2, 6-4, 6-0.
W. C. Campbell, New York, defeated J. T. Allen, New York, 7-5, 6-3, 6-1, 6-2.
Bernard J. O'Connell, Jr., Hamilton, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, 6-0.
Frederick T. Frellshuysen, Westchester, defeated H. D. Harvey, Pt. Judith, 3-6, 6-3, 9-7, 4-6, 6-1.
Charles T. Hunter, New Rochelle, defeated W. S. Anderson, New York, 7-5, 4-6, 4-4, 6-1, 6-1.

R. C. Thomas, New York, defeated A. E. O'Connell, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
William Hagg, New York, defeated W. L. Pitt, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Allen, New York, 7-5, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Hagg, New York, 7-5, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Owens, New York, 7-5, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Charles J. Griffin, California, defeated Charles S. Garland, Pittsburgh, 6-5, 2-6, 6-2, 6-5.
William C. Post, California, defeated Charles C. Post, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Carl H. Blair, New York, defeated G. W. Phillips, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Robert Lenz, New York, defeated H. E. Parker, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Fred Hagg, Philadelphia, defeated Edmund W. Hagg, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
F. A. Valle, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Frederick B. Alexander, defeated Philip Roberts, Hamilton, 6-1, 6-1, 6-1.
Fred Hagg, Boston, defeated Howard A. Hagg, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Dean M. McLaughlin, California, defeated Dean M. McLaughlin, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Fred Hagg, Philadelphia, defeated G. C. Carter, New York, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.

BLUE BONNET ENTRIES FOR OPENING TOMORROW

First race, \$500 added, for 3-year-olds and up, foaled in Canada, selling, mile-Corinthian, 108; Cannell, 107; Col. Guitelin, 114; Stralinger, 111; Phil Unger, 111; Prohibition, 111; Revere, 105.

Second race, \$500 added, for 2-year-olds, 6 furlongs—Bempe Stewart, 108; Milestone, 111; Jewett, 105; Col. Guitelin, 114; Stralinger, 111; Phil Unger, 111; Prohibition, 111; Revere, 105.

Third race, \$200 added, the King's Plate, for 3-year-olds and up, covered and bred in the Province of Quebec, 1 1/2 miles—Flowers Lamb, 112; Lady Spontifit, 117; Cert Volant, 112; Master Nook, 115; Redcap, 110; Suivez Moi, 121; Hodges, 115.

Fourth race, \$500 added, steeplechase, selling, 4-year-olds and up, about 2 miles—Garter, 148; Newhaven, 135; Lily Nectar, 131; Eton, 130; Joe (steely), 130.

Fifth race, \$500 added, 1 mile—all ages, 7 furlongs—Judy Head, 105; Seal, 103; Thacker, 104; Commodore, 104; The Widow Moon, 95; Jack Bay, 107; Pan Zareta, 122; Tin Point, 124.

Sixth race, \$500 added, for 3-year-olds and up, selling, 6 furlongs—Marjorie A., 101; Vile, 107; J. W. Barkley, 101; Captain Parr, 101; King Fox, 101; Sir Blaise, 102; Wiley, 99; Privet Pest, 111; St. Legerian, 100; Zimuel, 101; Arlyette, 111; The Spirit, 101; Yaloesep, 107; Commodore, 105; Coy. 105.

Seventh race, \$500 added, 3-year-olds and up, selling, 3/4 mile—Runway, 110; Phlox, 107; Sublet, 95; Fawcett, 105; Laird of Kirkcaldy, 101; Waverley, 101; El Oro, 100; Kinninmonth, 104; Whistler, 111; Lyndon Field, 101; Stakes and Cap, 100; Abolition, 100; Waverley, 100; Volandy, Jr., 108; Astrotiger, 111; J. H. Houghton, 111.

EIGHTH RACE, \$500 added, 3-year-olds and up, selling, 3/4 mile—Runway, 110; Phlox, 107; Sublet, 95; Fawcett, 105; Laird of Kirkcaldy, 101; Waverley, 101; El Oro, 100; Kinninmonth, 104; Whistler, 111; Lyndon Field, 101; Stakes and Cap, 100; Abolition, 100; Waverley, 100; Volandy, Jr., 108; Astrotiger, 111; J. H. Houghton, 111.

NINTH RACE, \$500 added, 3-year-olds and up, selling, 3/4 mile—Runway, 110; Phlox, 107; Sublet, 95; Fawcett, 105; Laird of Kirkcaldy, 101; Waverley, 101; El Oro, 100; Kinninmonth, 104; Whistler, 111; Lyndon Field, 101; Stakes and Cap, 100; Abolition, 100; Waverley, 100; Volandy, Jr., 108; Astrotiger, 111; J. H. Houghton, 111.

RICH TROTTERING RACE WON BY HENRY TODD

Empire City Event Goes to 3-Year-Old Driven by Lasell in Straight Heats

EMPIRE CITY TRACK, Yonkers, N. Y., Sept. 1.—Henry Todd, driven by Lasell, won the \$1000 championship for three-year-old trotting stallions here this afternoon in straight heats.

The race was for the best two in three. Colorado Belle was given second money and Deroche, driven by Old Pop Goers, was third. Onward Forbes was fourth. The time of the two heats was 2:15 1/2 and 2:12 1/2.

Summary: Champion stallion stake, 3-year-old trot, 2 in 3, stake \$10,410: Henry Todd, Lasell, 1:41 1/2; Deroche, Goers, 1:41 1/2; Colorado Belle, 1:41 1/2; Onward Forbes, Murphy, 1:41 1/2; Naive Spirit, also finished. Rusticost distanced. Time, 2:15 1/2, 2:12 1/2. Local funds, first money, Colorado Belle, second money, Deroche, third money, Onward Forbes, four money.

NO-LICENSE WORKER ON TRIAL

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Sept. 1.—A. B. Jackson, chief of the Lukens Steel Company police, at Coatesville, leader of the Lukens Mission there and an active no-license worker, was placed on trial in criminal court here this afternoon on the charge of attacking Mrs. Effie Barnes, a young woman, who had twice been divorced and is well known about the borough. Jackson was acquitted at the former trial, but the costs were placed upon him. He applied for a new trial on the ground that the verdict was against the weight of the evidence, and it was granted.

FINE GOLFING WEATHER CONTINUES

DETROIT, Sept. 1.—Conditions here today are all that could be desired for the National Golf Championship games, the weather is clear and the temperature crisp at 51 degrees.

NED SAWYER PLAYED BEST GOLF OF HIS CAREER IN BEATING EVANS

"Chick" Unfortunate in Drawing Skilled Player, Going at Top Speed—All Other Favorites Scored Easy Victories—Pennsylvanians Easily Beaten

By GRANTLAND RICE

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 1.—Genius isn't always born to glory. Sometimes, arrayed in sackcloth, it must sit with the humble and watch the laureled parade move on to fame. So it happens that Chick Evans, the greatest amateur shotmaker in the world, must wait another year. For at least another twelve months Chick must continue his dream that some day he will be amateur golf champion of the United States.

Last fall at Ekwanok, Evans fell before the deadly putting of Ed Byers in the first round. And in the first round at Detroit, where he had hoped to win with the championship again fought out on Western turf, Chick was again outclassed from the fray in the first day's play. And he fell by the wide margin of 6 and 5. Fate was against him today—fate accomplished in the grin, confident personality of Ned Sawyer, the Wheaton whirlwind, who fought a battle that was not to be denied.

It was Chick's tournament fate to meet such a test in his first match. He met a golfer no man in the field could have topped as he played Evans played bad golf. He was around in 74, good enough to lead almost any other rival, but in the afternoon, when he started 2 down, he slipped badly before he could make another stroke.

Sawyer, playing every club with skill and confidence, facing each delicate situation with rare coolness and steady judgment, refused to waver. It was merely a question of which would crack first, and Sawyer refused to budge an inch.

The one weakness that beat Evans was inability to get his chip shot close to the pin. This put a heavy putting strain upon him, and he was thus forced to play his weakness against Sawyer's strength. The "chick" never played better than he did. He was around in 74, good enough to lead almost any other rival, but in the afternoon, when he started 2 down, he slipped badly before he could make another stroke.

No other favorite fell by the wayside. Jerome Travers and Francis Outmet merely romped home. Jerry caught George Crump, of Philadelphia, badly off his normal name and won by the wide margin of 18 holes and gives a fine chance to play steadily, returning a 36 in the forenoon without being forced. It was the freak of fate that Travers in the morning with a 76 was 11 up, while Evans with a 74 was 2 down.

Outmet had no trouble with W. H. Cardwell, of Buffalo, playing good average golf and winning by a wide margin of 8 and 7. He is almost sure to go to the final, although he will have a harder battle today against James D. Standish, Jr., who will be fighting on his home course. Standish proved on Tuesday that he, too, is to be reckoned with as a hard fighter by eliminating W. C. Fownes at the thirty-seventh hole, making a 35-foot putt for a win when Fownes had a seven-footer for a 4. This match was the largest struggle of the day, as both moved along at a steady, consistent pace and refused to be shaken off.

Guilford, the longest hitter of them all, tore into Marston at a fast clip and won four of the first five holes. But Marston settled at this point, and when Guilford lost his ball at the sixth hole, the Balutrol star began to pluck a few holes back. He showed what he could do by coming home in 35, a pace which not only pruned away Guilford's lead, but left him 2 down at the end of 15 holes. Marston soon added another hole in the afternoon, and finished in front by a margin of 3 to 1.

The Philadelphia contingent did not last long, but their work was a great satisfaction to their friends. Five out of seven qualified on Saturday and two out of these hung on through the Monday round. Both Crump and Rotan drew man-eaters in the first round. Rotan was beaten, 3 and 2, by one of the Sherman brothers, who have been cleaning up in the preliminaries.

Buxton had a bad first round of 88, and when he bid fair to repeat in the afternoon he withdrew. Worthington was two strokes to the bad on his total, as was Howard Perrin. Both were ruled out by afternoon rounds of 81, with much interest in the play of the Corkran brothers. They were expected to make things hum.

Many freak shots have been made in the tournament. Gardner holed out with his iron from distance of 150 yards on the ninth hole for a two. Davidson Herron also got a two on the thirteenth when he holed out a brassie 250 yards in width. There are many wild tales floating about of 50-foot putts, and as this is the accepted way by which the experts snatch a hole out of the fire ever and anon.

The elimination of W. C. Fownes, Jr., of Pittsburgh, will help considerably the chances of Francis Outmet, as Fownes was the one who came the closest to putting out the champion last year. Fownes was finally beaten one up by Outmet after he had a fine chance to win himself. Eben Byers, a former champion, was also beaten, so that not only all Philadelphians, but all Pennsylvanians, are out of the going.

With the brains of every golf professional in the country hard at the job of evolving new golf clubs "just a little different" from any other clubs put out, and besides that, all the wood factories in the country blowing off steam to the tune of new ideas in golf sticks, it will readily be seen that for the golfer in an experimental state of mind it is not a particularly hard job to collect a bag of clubs which is numerous and miscellaneous, to say the least.

Friday of this week is looming large as the day set for the "father and son" tourney at White Marsh. It is a handicap event of 18 holes and gives a fine chance for a dark horse to become famous overnight. This will be the fifth year of the tournament, and it is growing in popularity every season.

TWINKLE MARCH LEADS IN BYBERRY 2:22 PACE

H. Woodall's Gray Gelding Wins First Two Heats of Important Event

Keen contests on track were witnessed at the Philadelphia County Fair at Byberry this afternoon. Split heats resulted in the 2:30 trot, the first going to Nugget Boy and the second to Praetta. Nugget Boy is owned and was driven by W. F. Brophy, of Gloucester, N. J., while E. Volmer, of Trenton, N. J., was up on the second heat winner.

The time of the first two heats was 2:24 and 2:21 1/2.

In the 2:22 pace Twinkle March, the gray gelding belonging to H. Woodall, of Odessa, Md., won in straight heats. The second horse was Billikin Chimes, with Hagg up. Fancy got third place in such of the two heats, while Dot Owyho was in the twice. The times were 2:17 1/2 and 2:16.

NICKALS A LIEUTENANT

Pennsylvania Crew Coach Gets Commission in King's Army

The third prominent person of the University of Pennsylvania plans to join the ranks of the Allies in Europe. Nickals, former coach of the crew, who, according to dispatches received today, has become a second lieutenant in the English Royal Field Artillery.

TRUE AS STEEL FIRST AT BELMONT COURSE

Opening Event Goes to Speedy Randolph Gelding, With He Will Second

BELMONT PARK, N. Y., Sept. 1.—Racing in New York turned into the stretch for the 1915 season when the meeting of the Westchester Racina Association was opened at beautiful Belmont Park this afternoon.

The horses had returned from Saratoga Springs and those who made the trip with them were as eager for the saddle as they were back in May, when the season began.

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Kohls-Adler Nine to Play

The Kohls-Adler baseball team plays its season's last game on September 1. The team is made up entirely of employed men and is coached by Kohls-Adler. The team is made up of the following players: Kohls-Adler, pitcher; Kohls-Adler, catcher; Kohls-Adler, first base; Kohls-Adler, second base; Kohls-Adler, third base; Kohls-Adler, shortstop; Kohls-Adler, left field; Kohls-Adler, center field; Kohls-Adler, right field; Kohls-Adler, manager.

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