BROOKLYN AND BOSTON PURSUE FORLORN HOPE-"ALEX" SHOULD WIN FOUR MORE

FEAR OF BOSTON AND BROOKLYN FADES AS PHILS INCREASE LEAD

Moranmen Need Win Only Nine Out of Sixteen, as Against Thirteen Out of Fifteen Necessary for Rivals. Alexander Should Gain Four More Victories

Another week has passed with the Dodgers and Braves unable to cut lown the lead of the Phillies, and it begins to look as if the locals will return on October 4 the new champions of the National League. The Phillies have 16 more games to play, and need but nine victories to make it almost impossible for either Brooklyn or Boston to Win.

Provided all the games scheduled are played, the Phillies can finish with a uge of \$11 by winning nine out of the 16 games yet to be played. To equal this mark both Brooklyn and Boston must capture 13 victories out of 15 To win, either team will have to add another victory or the Phillies will have to suffer another defeat somewhere along the route.

Boston Figures Valiantly on Its Chance to Win

It seems hardly reasonable to expect either Boston or Brooklyn to accomplish their task, particularly as each team is spheduled to play four games with the Phillies. In Boston, the dopesters are optimistically showing how a clean tweep by the Braves from the Phillies in Boston, and then an even break for Morans' men in Brooklyn, while the Braves are taking four games from New York, will just send the Braves over the wire a few points ahead of the Phillies. In Brooklyn they are doing their figuring along the same lines, but it is likely that the dreams of both will be shattered, as one Grover C. Alexander has evidently been forgotten in the shuffle.

Alexander Should Turn in Four More Victories

Just how Boston and Brooklyn can figure on overcoming a lead such as the Phillies have, is difficult to imagine, unless the whole Philly team collapses. Nine victories will surely give the Phillies the pennant, and it is safe to predict that Alexander the Great will win five more games if it becomes necessary to work

During the last week Alexander won three games and is apparently going better than at any time in his career, barring a brief spell in the middle of the present season, when he was shattering records, and there is no sound reason why he should not travel along at his present gait until the close of the season.

Phillies' Star to Pitch Twice Against Cubs

Yesterday Alexander beat the Cardinals and he will not be on the mound again until Thursday, when he will pitch against the Cubs. Then the Philly onder can go back at the Cubs on Sunday. This will be the last Philly game in the West and Alexander will then be saved for the opening game of the series with the Braves in Boston on September 29, Wednesday.

If it is the Braves who are still on the heels of the Phillies, Alexander can go back on Saturday, October 2. If the Dodgers are the second team at that time, Moran can give his star an extra day's rest and start him against Brooklyn on

Then if the race should still be undecided Alexander could be sent back on October 7, the last day of the season. It is safe to predict that it will not be necessary to work Alexander after October 4, and chances favor him working on this day only to limber up for the world's series.

Mayer, Chalmers, et al., Should Win Five Games

This line of reasoning is allowing Alexander four victories out of five starts, Mayer two victories out of three starts, and one or two relief games; Chalmers two victories out of four starts, as the latter has reached such form that he is certain to be one of the dependables in the stretch.

Thus it will be necessary for Rixey, Demarce or McQuillan to win but one same to give the Phillies their nine victories out of 16 games, and this will be enough to win the pennant. Perhaps Alexander may lose two games, but if he does it is likely another game will be picked up somewhere,

Chalmers Again the Hard Luck Pitcher

An even break in a double-header with the Cardinals was as much as the Phillies could expect, but it was a heart-breaking game that George Chalmers lost. While Chalmers' pitching was such that it would have won nine out of ten games, he could hardly hope for victory when Ames, his opponent, was holding the Phillies to one hit in 10 innings. It was just like most of Chalmers' defeats. If the Phils could hit behind Chalmers as they usually do with Demarce on the mound, he would be one of the leading pitchers of the league.

Alexander Beats His Own Record of Victories

The victory was gained by Alexander the Great, and he was never forced to extend himself. The Phillies gave the Nebraskan an early lead and he eased up until the Cardinals threatened to rally. It was the 29th victory of the year for Alexander, giving him a new record for number of games won. In 1911, his first season in the major leagues, Alexander won 28 games, and this was his best mark until he beat the Cardinals yesterday.

While the Phillies were splitting even with St. Louis the Braves were winning in Cincinnati, allowing the champions to gain half a game on the leaders. The Braves have been playing splendid ball, and with Maranville back in the game, are likely to continue on their winning way for a time.

Cantillion's "Old Man's" Team Wins Pennant

The major leagues are not the only organizations that enjoyed thrilling instead of \$1000-word telegram, collect, mant races. The International and American Association championships were pennant races. The International and American Association championships were not decided until the day before the close of the season. Minneapolis, with its team of veterans, better know as Joe Cantillion's "Old Man's Home Team," after trailing along in the second division until after the Fourth of July, developed a winning streak of 18 consecutive victories while Indianapolis and St. Paul were losing steadily. The Millers went Into first place on September 2 and were never passed, although St. Paul was on even terms three days before the season

Buffalo Won Great Race in International

In the International League, Providence assumed the lead in the second week of the season and held it until last Wednesday, when Buffalo won a double-header from the Grays and went into first place. Both teams weakened at the finish, but Buffalo, thanks to the excellent pitching of Fred Beebe, ex-Philly twirler, managed to hold the lead. The failure of Joe Oeschger to win in the last 10 days cost the Grays the pennant.

Municipally-owned Team Pays Bonuses

While on the subject of minor league races it might be well to mention that Evansville, which won the entral League pennant, had a free gate for the entire eason, with municipal ownership of the team. The Mayor of the city was the ractor of the team and there was but one gate where admission was charged. much money was made that the receipts for the last four games of the season was given to the players for winning the pennant.

The Deterioration of One Eddie Collins

Billy Hanna, of the New York Sun, remarks: "It may be on account of the general disappointment in the ranks of the White Sox in not realizing championsip hopes that has affected the work of Eddie Collins. The truth is that this young man does not seem half as strong defensively as he did in Mack's \$100,000 infield."

Johnny Evers Really Learns Something

Johnny Evers recently remarked that Art Nehf was the greatest young southpaw in the land and that he was a born pitcher. A few days later a western scribe reminded Evers that he (Evers) had released Nehf after a brief trial when he was manager of the Cubs.

Evers asked Nohf about it and the youthful sensation explained that he was the kid who came down to Chicago from the Rose Polytechnical Institute only to be sent back the following day. Now Evers does not know what to think about born pitchers and his own judgment.

"Pingy" Gould and Russell Johnson, the Ursinus College pitchers, both of whom are in Mack's school, engaged in a pitcher's duel on Saturday, the latter winning I to 0. Gould was pitching for Wissinoming and allowed but two hits. one of which was a home run by Van Sant, while Johnson, twirling for Cheltenham, allowed one hit. It was a wonderful battle, with the independent semiprofessional leagus championship of castern Pennsylvania at stake.

Dave Danforth, who was with the Athletics in 1911 and 1912, and who last Sunday struck out 16 Kaness City batsmen in nine innings, followed up this performance by fanning 16 Indianapolis batsmen on Wednesday. There is no record of any nation or miner league twirler equalling this mark for two successive games.

BASEBALL BUGS **BUZZING AROUND** POOR PAT MORAN

One Nut Offers to Sell Phil Pilot Lucky Penny for a Mere \$500

EARFULS OF ADVICE FREE

By a Staff Correspondent

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 20 .- Pat Moran la now experiencing what every successful manager has to face in the course of his career-the subtle attack of the baseball

In the hotels, on the streets, on trolley cars and in trains these peats insist on introducing themselves. Sometimes they have a weak excuse for intruding on the Phillies' manager by telling him that they once knew a man whose brother played ball with a friend of Pat's,

On the strength of this they want Pat to talk to them indefinitely, after which they tell all their acquaintances how Pat Moran is one of their best friends and how he insists on telling them the inside facts about the game.

Other bugs will come up to Pat and say: "This is Mr. Moran, isn't it? I just wanted to shake hands with you. I am a great follower of baseball. I go to all the games here, and just thought I would speak to you and let you know we are all for you." etc., etc.

Pat is always tolerant with these bugs far more so than the average man would be. He answers their questions politely, and while he tries to get away as quickly as possible, he does it in such a way that no one could ever feel any offense.

This is one of the wages of greatness in baseball. John McGraw, Hugh Jennings, Fred Clarke, Connie Mack, Fielder Jones and others have experienced the same thing. In fact, every well-known hasoball player has to go through with these inci-dents to a certain extent; but the manager who has his club at the top in the final stretch for the flag is the one who suf-fers most from the buzzing of these wordy baseball mosquitoes.

Still another fan in Philadelphia sent Pat word that he must have a Sphinx. No champlenship could be won without it, said the fan, who is himself a member of the Sphinx (Tub.

But, after all, the Fred Chandler Horsethoe of the Seven Nails has done the work, so Pat feels that other luck pieces would be unfair. He might never lose another game if he bought and accepted all the anti-jinxes that are offered him.

Another thing which the leading mansagers have to endure is the reading of
volumes of mail from persons wholly unknewn to them. Of course, a man has to
open and read all his letters, otherwise
he might overlook something important.
Some of these letters give the manager
inside dope on a great ball player who
can be signed for a small sum, provided,
of course, that the letter-writer gets a
rake-off for the tip. Others want to put
in applications for world's series tickets,
while others actually want Pat to send while others actually want Pat to send them passes for the series.

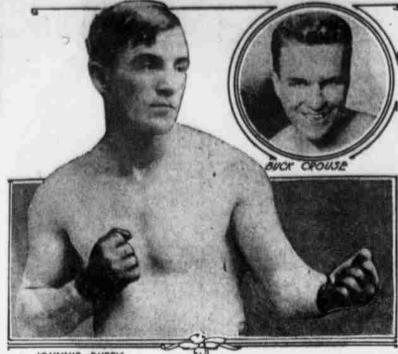
them passes for the series.
One of the most amusing letters Pat has received recently was from a man who signed himself Will Caldwell, Hamilton, Ont. Mr. Caldwell stated that he had a lucky penny which had been in his family for generations. He recounted incidents by the page to show how lucky the panny was. It had saved steamships from being wrecked; had prevented railroad accidents; had won fortunes for the owner; had saved hundreds of lives in other various and sundry ways. And yet other various and sundry ways. And yet Mr. Caldwell offered this rare talisman to Pat for the niggardly sum of \$500 and then the Philly leader was to give him \$500 more if he won the series.

that his friend was just a simple nut, so he tore up the letter and forgot it.

A Philadelphia rooter sent Pat two silver-plated horseshoes which couldn't fall to bring luck. Pat gave one of them to Grover Alexander. These were sifts

Kearns-Levinsky Fight Thursday NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—The fight be-tween Battling Levinsky and Soldier Kearns at the Clarmont A. C., of Brooklyn, last week, was postponed until next

BOX AT OLYMPIA TONIGHT



Sailor Grande will be Smiling Buck Crouse's antagonist, while Young Jack O'Brien will encounter Duffy.

TWO GREAT PACERS

to Meet Wednesday in

Special Event of Fair

ty-four entries have been received by the racing secretary. Most important of the week's events is the meet on Wednesday

between Directum I, 1:56%, and Peter Stovens, the fast Reading pacer, that turned the West Chester Fair half-mile track in two miles of 2:06% and 2:04%,

Many up-Staters see a victory for Peter Stevens, who is racing at top speed this year. Directum I, with the noted trainer, Murphy, up, is to be reckoned with, de-spite the elegant condition of the Penn-

Races will be held in the various light

harness events of the program. The free-for-all, which has been the stellar match at all fairs this year, is sure to please patrons of the great Allentown meeting.

last Thursday.

sylvania pacer.

GRANDE AND CROUSE AT OLYMPIA TONIGHT

Sammy Trinckle Will Substitute for Joe Heffernan Against Loughlin

Reports this morning from Sailor Grande's training quarters have it that Charley has developed a new attack and defense. He will exhibit his improved puglistic repertoirs at the Olympia to-night in compat with Buck Crouse, of Pittsburgh. The latter is a clever twohanded boxer.

Willie Baker, who promises to develop into a star middleweight, will substitute in the semiwind-up for Joe Heffernan against K. O. Loughlin, Johnny Duffy will make his first appearance for more than a year in the third number. Young Jack O'Brien will be his opponent.

The program follows: First bout—Alex Costica, Rumania, vs. Joe Phelan, North Penn.
Second bout—Patasy Haley, Wilkes Barre, vs. Johnny Mealy, Southwark.
Third bout—Johnny Duffy, Kensington, vs. Young Jack O'Brien, West Philadelphia.
Semiwingup—K. O. Loughlin, South Bethlehen, vs. Sammy Trinckle, Smoky Hollow.
Windup—Satter Charley Grande, Vallejo, vs. Buck Crause, Pittaburgh.

A crack preliminary card has been arranged in connection with the return Bobby Reynolds-Jimmy Murphy match at the Douglas tomorrow night, as follows: Young Britt vs. Jake Myrick, Kid Harris vs. Johnny Russell, Jimmy Devine vs. Benny Clark and Bobby McCann vs. Joe

Harry Smith, local hard-hitting south-paw featherweight, who will fight under the colors of Tommy O'Dare this fall, has been matched to meet Willie Jackson, of New York, at the National A. C.'s epening Friday night.

Johnny Ertle may feature in a bout with a younger brother, Mike, who is 17 years of age. Mike is a promising little fellow, according to St. Paul reports, weighing 111 pounds.

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ACADEMIC FOOTBALL SQUADS LINE UP FOR HARD PRACTICE

Germantown and Penn Charter Already on Field, While Delancey and Episcopal Prepare for Work-The Outlook in Interacademic League

in the Interacademic League is a month distant, two teams already are practicing hard for the opening of the season. Germantown started in on September 8, and Penn Charter began preliminary practice last Tuesday. Friends' Central will hold

Pann Charter began preliminary practice last Tuesday. Friends' Central will hold its initial workout next Tuesday and Episcopal follows two days later.

When Delanesy School and Episcopal combined, it was thought that the football team this fail easily would carry off the champlonship of the league. A ruling was passed, however, barring all Delancey players until they have attended the school for one year.

The early games to be played with St. Luke's. Chestnut Hill, Haverford and Bryn Athyn will be considered the most important on the schedule and the strongest eleven placed on the field for these contests. When the Interacademic League opens, it is planned to withdraw all of the ineligible men and send in substitutes. No effort will be made to win many of the regular sames.

Captain Stewart, quarterback on last year's team, will be back, as will Dickson, a halfback. Applegate, one of the best fullbacks in the city, is undecided as to whether he will be able to play this year, but it is thought he will be out in uniform when the team begins practice next Thursday. With three positions in the backfield already filled, and the Delancey squad to draw from, Episcopal should be strong behind the line.

Prospects are good for a strong rush line also, McCall, the veteran centre, is available and should give a good account of himself this fall. During the summer ON ALLENTOWN CARD

Directum I and Peter Stevens line also. McCall, the vector centre, is available and should give a good account of himself this fall. During the summer he gained 15 pounds in weight and is more active than last year. Pugh will take care of one of the guard positions and Gilmore, substitute last year, will try for the other. Earle and Redmann, ends on Racing at the Allentown Fair this week' promises to be the best in the history of the association. Three hundred and twenthe 1914 team, are gone and new men must be developed for the positions. Earp again will play tackle and should be a valuable asset to the team. He is

he a valuable asset to the team. He is big and fast, can punt, run with the ball and also plays a good defensive game. Lallow, sub linemen last year, and Hunt will try for the other place on the line. Coach Dick Merritt faces a hard task at Penn Charter. With only a few of the

BRYN MAWR HORSE SHOW

Although the first game to be played in the Interacademic League is a month distant, two teams already are practicing hard for the opening of the season. Gerial design and there was no epportunity to get a line on the new management of the season.

Captain Heck is the only man left in the backfield and there are few linemen to draw upon. Rogers, who was inel-igible last year in the interacademic games, is back in school and will try for one of the vacancies in the backfield. S. B. Sutton, coach at Peddie Institute last year and director of athletics at Barringer High School, of Newark, N. J.,

Barringer High School, of Newark, N. J., in 1913, will have charge of the team this year. Sutton has a wonderful record for a prep school coach, having turned out excellent teams in the past. He is anxious to make a record this year, and has the support of the school in this effort. Germantown will have a light team but it also will be very fast. The heaviest men will hold down the tackle positions. Fred Cliff and Race have returned to school. Both of these men played last year and showed up well in the games.

played last year and showed up well in the games. Holmes, fullback; Martling, guard, and Captain Lamb, halfback, are the other regulars who will be back. There is a weslth of material to select from, how-ever, the most promising being Clothier. Keys, Kent, Dinsmore, Frutchy, A, Law-son, R. Lawson, Landenberger, Perry, Bockman, Cornell, Williams, Jobson, Hen-zon, Van Sciver and Doyle,

con, Van Selver and Doyle,
Coach Jacoby will look over the candidates for Friends' Central next Tuesday, when the first practice will be held. A majority of last year's team will be back in school and prospects for a geod team are exceptionally bright. Fant, Cemley, Morris, Busby, Mitchell, Mull, Dodderidge, Cooper, Remmy, Pancoast and Captain Joe Stoddard are on hand and the other places should not be hard to fill.

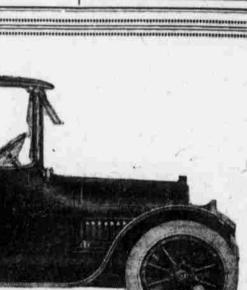
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