PHILLIES GAME TO CORE, SAYS ALEXANDER—COMMENT ON VARIOUS LINES OF SPORTS

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND

GAMENESS IS PHILLIES' MIDDLE NAME, SAYS ALEX MAXIMUS

recovery From Slumps, Especially After Brooklyn sweep, Proves Calibre of 1915 Team, Declares Great Pitcher-They Are No Alibi Hunters

By GROVER CLEVELAND ALEXANDER Baseball Pitcher in the World and the Mainstay of the Philadelphia National League Club in the 1915 Pennant Race.) ARTICLE XIII.

declare that never has there been a gamer team than the Phillies

of 1915. It may not be the right thing for me to boost the club of which I am a member, but I am boosting it as an organization and not in any way singling out individuals. The "old pep" and fight-to-a-fin-

pirit is in every man who sits on our Now that it is past, I want to mention

New that it is past, I want to mention in flustration of the gameness that is a characteristic of our club.

The fans undoubtedly remember that we lest three straight games in Brooklyn on September 6 and 7. We lost them thoroughly, too. The Superbas outbatted and outfielded us. They did not leave us a single alibi by which we could excuse the get in our own minds and figure that we had been outlucked. en outlucked.

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If het 30 per cent, of the baseball fans
t the country said, "There go the Phileat" after that disastrous visit to
trocklyn. They figured we had started
slump and as our lead at the time was
sighty slender two more reverses might are shoved us into second or even third satton. But we "came back." The boys came over to Philadelphia to

he boys came over to Philadelphia to y the Giants four games and they e theroughly aroused. We didn't talk ch about it, but when I went on the ch the day of the first game with F York I felt that "fight" was in the Well, we waded into McGraw's club won four straight games. Boston playing in Brooklyn and the Braves two of the three battles waged. So tinstead of continuing the slump and that instead of continuing the slump and dropping out of first place, we strength-land our lead by our "come-back."

It has been pretty much that way with eur club all season. Time after time, we have skated along on thin ice. Even our most loyal supporters have been ready to admit that we were slipping fast. Then, suddenly, we came to life and showed them that we had the punch. After we lost the three games in Brook-

Im a friend of mine met me at the North Philadelphia Station, when we re-turned to our home city. "Gosh, Alex," he said, "what's the matter with the boys? Have they lost their nerve completely? Why, they played like ch of schoolboya against the Su-

I told my friend that he need not worry about losing the three games at Brook-lyn. I pointed out that it was not the we had stood on the precipice and had pulled ourselves away just when our friends were shutting their eyes so they would not see us take the plunge.

And, for some unexplainable reason, I
believed what I was saying. I knew my pals were made of the proper stuff.
It takes the extreme in fight and courage for a ball club to get out of a slump.

Any man who has played any sort of a game will know how hard it is. It's more of a mental fight than a physical

I do not imagine there is a person livperienced a day, or a week, or a month when everything seemed to go wrong. They went about their daily work as

ATHLETICS WALLOP CLEVELAND INDIANS IN FIRST CONTEST, 5-4

Eccels Pitches Good Ball for Mackmen, But Makes Costly Error in Ninth, Yielding Two Runs

TWO HOME RUNS MADE

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"Batted for Wambsganns in ninth.

Romers-Roth, McInnis, Triple-Schang,
Doubles-Strunk, Kirke. Sacrifices-Siebeld, Lajole. Struck out-By Crowell, 1;
caliamore. 3; Eccels, 4. Bases on ballsfor Crowell, 4; Collamore, 1. Double play
-Schang to Lapp.

EHIBE PARK, Sept. 20.—Rube Eccels, Comic Mack's recruit southpaw, gave exother brilliant exhibition this afternoon and the Athletics won the first game of the double-header from Cleveland, the score being 5 to 4.

Eccels relieved Crowell after the fourth inning and allowed but one clean hit in five innings. However, his wild throw it the ninth allowed two runs.

Al. Collamore, who was with the Athletics in the spring of 1811, was sent against the Mackmen. He was butted hard by the Athletics in the first inning, a triple, single and a home run, together with a sacrifice fly by Siebeid, giving the Athletics a three-run lead.

FIRST INNING. FIRST INNING.

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arrors. Schang bit the top of the right-field wall with a terrific drive and made three bases the hit. Strunk singled to centre, scoras tichang. Strunk took third on Collabore's wild throw. Siebold sent a long string fly to Roth, Strunk scoring after the tatch. Lajote sent a long fly to Grazz. Mainnis hit down the left-field line, he hall took a bad bound and gianced of Grazz's knee into the bleachers for a long tun. Oldring fanned. Three runs, Gree hits, one error.

SECOND INNING. latins threw out Evans. Wamby popped

have been game baseball teams, history of the national pastime, do not pretend to be a judge of the various degrees of gameness. But 1 will declare that never has declare that never has

Phillies played hard against Brooklyn, but they couldn't win.

The thing that has saved our club, I am sure, is that when we do "hit the rough going," we don't seek alibis or try to excuse our defeats by blaming them on the "breaks." At our morning sessions we hunt for our mistakes and discuss them. We find a good, plausible baseball reason for the defeat, if we lost the game the previous afternoon. It always can be found, too.

Manager Moran's western has been

Manager Moran's system has been the very thing to prevent protracted slumps. It will not permit of that mental condition which helps to cause a long losing streak. He doesn't believe in alibis, and I seldom have heard him admit that there was such a thing as a bad turn of the luck. Nine times out of 10, when our club loses a close game by some "break," Pat will point out a mistake or two we made which, he insists, was the real reason for our reverse.

Of course, I know there are such things as "breaks" in base ball, and I have told how they might play a part in the winning of the National League pennant. Why, such a thing as rain might win or lose the flag for a certain club, if it came down to a nip-and-tuck battle at the finish. And the best playing in the world could not prevent rain. However, while admitting that luck is a factor, I am equally as confident that it can be overplayed. A team which gets the notion that "the whole world is going wrong" cannot possibly play winning baseball. And if a team thinks only of Manager Moran's system has been the

wrong" cannot possibly play winning baseball. And if a team thinks only of the "breaks," and forgets to study the good and bad plays which had a lot to do with the result, they will soon be in a mental condition which will plunge them into a slump. I have read stories about George Stall-

ings' superstitions. Some of them prob-ably are true; all of them are overdrawn. You bet your year's income that when the Braves hold their "skull practice." as Stallings calls his morning conference the boss doesn't tell them that they lost the game the previous day because the bats were not pointed in the right direction or sparrows perched on the dugout.

No. I'll gamble that Stallings tells the players about a play or two that they pulled which cost them the game. Superstition may be all right in its place, but it doesn't win ball games, unless the players do their part.

If I pitched Vic Saier a ball that he ould murder, and he hit it over the wall for a home run, wouldn't I be a fool it I blamed it on the fact that I were a blue bow tie to the clubhouse instead of the purple four-in-hand? Wouldn't it be much saner and produce better results in the future, if I told myself that I had slipped Saier a ball that he could wallop?

That is just the way with slumping ball clubs. If they will erase superstition and luck from their minds, they will have a much better chance to get back in their

I do not care where we finish, I will always insist that the Phillies of 1915 were the peers of any baseball players in the land so far as gameness went. We have fought hard for every game, and when we have been licked we did not call "Old Man Alibi" to apply salve, but convinced ourselves that we needed to im-prove our batting, pitching and fielding. And we still have the "pepper." Copyright, 1915, Public Ledger Co.

to Malone. Billings filed to Oldring. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Chapman threw out Malone. Lapp singled to right. Crowell forced Lapp. lamore to Chapman. Schang fanned. No runs, one hit, no errors.

THIRD INNING. .

Malone threw out Collamore, Graney popped to Lapp. Seibold threw out Chapman. No runs, no hits, no errors.

Strunk fouled to Billings. Scibold flied to Graney. Lajoic flied to Smith. No runs, no hits, no errors. FOURTH INNING.

Roth walked. Roth stole second. Smith walked. Kirke beat out a bunt, filling the bases. Evans walked, forcing in Roth. Wamby filed to Schang, whose perfect throw to the plate doubled Smith. Kirke went to third on the throw in. The double steal was tried, but Kirke was nailed between third and home, Lapp to Lajoie to Lapp to Malone. One run, no hit, no errors.

McInnis flied to Graney. Oldring out, Chapman to Kirke. Malone flied to Graney. No runs, no hits, no errors. FIFTH INNING.

Eccles now pitching for Athletics. Sie-bold made a great play in throwing out Billings. Collamore flied to Strunk. Graney flied to Strunk. No runs, no hits,

Lapp went out to Kirke, unassisted. Eccies fanned. Schang beat out a bunt. Schang went to third on Collamore's wild throw to catch him napping. Wamby out Strunk. No runs, one hit, one

SIXTH INNING.

Chapman beat out a bunt. Roth beat out a hit to Siebold. Smith fanned. Lajoie threw out Kirke, both runners moving up. Lapp muffed Evans' foul. Evans then fanned. No runs, two hits.

Siebold singled through Wamby, Lajole forced Siebold, Wamby to Chapman. It was a brilliant play by Wamby. Mc-Innis singled to right, Lajole taking third. Oldring filed to Evans. Evans threw out Malone. No runs, two hits, no errors.

SEVENTH INNING.

Siebold threw out Wamby. Billings fanned. Coliamore flied to Schang. No fanned. Collamore filed runs, no hits, no errors. Lapp fouled to Billings. Chapman threw out Eccals. Schang flied to Graney. No runs, no hits, no errors.

EIGHTH INNING. Seibold threw out Graney. Chapman out, Malone to McInnis. Roth fanned and was retired at first when Lapp dropped the third strike. No runs, no hits

Strunk doubled to right. Siebold walked. Lajole sacrificed, Kirke to Wamby. Chapman threw out McInnis, Strunk scoring. Oldring beat out an infield hit. Siebold scoring. Malone filed to Graney. Two runs, two hits, no errors,

NINTH INNING. Lajoie threw out Smith. Kirke doubled to centre. Evans beat out a bunt. O'Neill batted in place of Wamby. O'Neill bunted and when Eccels threw far over McInnis' head Kirke and Evans scored, while O'Neill went to third. Billings sent a short fly to Schang. Collamore flied to Oldring. Two runs, two hits, one error.

Syracuse to Cross Continent STRACUSE, Sept. 30.—Syracuse University of an architect a feedball game with Occidenta ellega to be payed at Lee Angains Saturday assembler 5. This is to be the third game is transcontinental frin. The University of lentan will be used on Transcontinental frin.



SARSANET IS FIRST AT HAVRE DE GRACE

Three-Year-Old Brown Gelding, at 2-to-1, Beats Big Field in Opener

HAVRE DE GRACE, Md., Sept. 20 .-R. T. Wilson, Jr.'s., colors were carried to victory in the first race, a selling one, for 3-year-olds, at six furlongs, here this afternoon by that good 3-year-old gelding Sarsanet. Two to 1 was the price paid by the bookles for the victory.

Jockey Cooper deserves much of the credit, for he kept his mount out of the jam at the barrier and also when the rush was made at the stretch. The time of the sprint was 1:14.
Second money went to Striker, with
Scallywag third.

First race, selling, 3-year-olds and up, 5 fur-longs—Sarsanet, 102, Cooper, 2 to 1, 7 to 10, 1 to 3, won; Striker, 104, Mink, 3 to 1, 2 to 1, even, second; Scallywag, 112, McCabey, 3 to 1 6 to 5, 7 to 10, third, Time, 1:14. Water Welles, Hiker, J. B. Harrell, Beverly James, Knight Deck, Humiliation, Idly Orme, Pay Streak, Fresumption, The Sieres, Thrill and Carlton G. also ran.

WILLIAMSPORT P. R. R.'S GET JUMP ON LOCALS

Teams Grapple at Harrisburg for Divisional Baseball Championship

PHILADELPHIA. WILLIAMSPORT. Hendrickson, Mr. Byers, c. C. Wyckoff, rf. Rice, p. Ländenmeyer, c. Haunty, 1b. Leslie, as. Shultz, 1b. Brown, 2b. Grubb, 3b. Fenstemacher, 1f. Tietsworth, 3b. Stewart, cf. Maley, p. Mulligan, cf. Miller, rf.

WHAT MAY HAPPEN IN BASEBALL TODAY NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Won, Lost, Pct. Win, Lose, Split.

W. and Mannasen also ran.

Second race, for 2-year-olds, 5 furlongs-Lady Worthington, 98, Martin, \$11.30, \$8 and \$5.70, won: Circulate, 93, Lapaille, \$8.10 and \$6.30, second; M. Burth Thurman, 98, Henry, \$6.50, third. Time, 1:01 1-5. That's Me, Vachel, Worthy Argument, Busy Jos, Mc-Adams, Industry, Flossic Walker and Al Pierce also ran.

SEAFORD, MACK'S SHORTSTOP, AN EX-PARK SPARROW

Name of Youth Is Siebold, a Philadelphia Boy

SHIBE PARK, Sept. 20.—Manager Mack admitted this afternoon that Seaford, supposedly from Stanford University, was playing under a fictitious name. This lad played shortstop on Saturday and made a very good impression on Mack and his men.

A fan in the stand recognized Seaford as Harry Siebold, a local boy, who played with Cedar Rapids, of the Central Asso-

with Cedar Rapids, of the Central Association this season.

Mack said that he had played Siebold under an assumed name because he had not been officially notified that he had obtained him in a draft.

Siebold lives at 19th and Popiar streets and was a member of the Park sparrows. He first attracted attention while playing with the Cambridge A. A., a team of youngsters in Brewerytown. This was his first season in professional ranks, but he has improved rapidly and Mack thinks he will develop into a star. Siethinks he will develop into a star. Sie-bold is only 18 years of age.

AMERICAN LEAGUE Baseball-Two Games Today SHIBE PARK Athletics vs. Cleveland

OLYMPIA A. A. Broad & Bainbridge Harry Edwards, Mgr. TONIGHT AT 8:38 SHARF GREAT ALL-STAR SHOW ALEX COSTICO vs. JOE PHALEN JOHNNY MEALEY vs. PATSY HALEY Yg. JACK O'BRIEN vs. JOHNNY BUFFY JOE HEFFERNAN vs. R. O. LOUGHLIN SAILON GRANDE vs. BUCK CROUSE Adm. 25c. Bal. Bes. 59c. Arens Bes. 75c. \$1.

National Theatre 10, 16, 26, 16,

AT WOODBINE TRACK Thorncliffe Entry Runs Away

Mars Cassidy Is Placed, While
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TYPHOON A WINNER

RECRUITS JOIN PENN SQUAD IN PRACTICE

New Men in Work-Out on Franklin Field-Port Deposit Crew Coming

The biggest squad of the season turned out on Franklin Field this afternoon for football practice under Coaches Gaston and Marshall. There were 30 men in toga and 10 more who worked out in track

Five of them were new candidates of considerable promise. They included Grant Wheeler, a halfback on last year's Northeast High School team; E. S. Jackson, a former star end on the Lawrence-School eleven; Stanley Allen, Wh played tackle on the Syracuse freshman team two years ago; Nestleller, en end on the Harrisburg Technical School last year, and R. B. Jones, substitute fullback for the varsity last year.

The squad was further increased by

Russell, the big guard, who came up from Port Deposit this morning to take an examination. Grant and Welch, of the Port Deposit squad, also worked out on Franklin Field.

Coach Gaston gave all the men in uniform an unusually long drill in tackling the dummy. Afterward two teams were selected and ran through signals for half an hour. There was the usual preliminary

work in punting. The entire varsity squad from Port De-posit will come up in the morning and will practice on Franklin Field in the afternoon. When both squads work together there will be more than 100 men out.

CLAY COURT MATCHES AT GERMANTOWN TODAY

Large Number of Contestants on Hand for Seventeenth Annual Renewal

The usual large number of contestants were on hand today when the first round matches were begun in the 17th annual clay-court tournament for the lawn tennis championship of eastern Pennsylvania in men's sigles and doubles.

This event is being staged on dirt courts at Strawberry Mansion, under the auspices of the Rumford Tennis Club.

The title-holder in singles, I. S. Cravis, Greenpoint, will be on hand Saturday to defend the championship against the winner of the tournament, and Cravis and C. C. Van Horn will defend the doubles LOUISVILLE ENTRIES

First race, seiling, 3-year-olds and up, 6 furlongs-"Carrie Orme, 100: "Freeman, 103: Chridiyan, Marion Goesby, 105: "Lam Lest, 106: Miss Fieller, 108: Charmeuse, Orange, Broom's Edge, 111: Furlongs, Irish Gentleman, Colle, 114.

FOR TOMORROW'S MEET

Broom's Edge, 11; Furiongs, Irish Gentleman, Coile, 114.
Second race, selling, maiden fillies, 2-year-olds, 5 turbings, "Lutle Mother, "Daisy Meikle, "Eurymede, 89; "Margaret E. 35; Miss Bland, 98; Emily R. 100; Winnie O'Dsy, "Dolina, 191; Lady Vandergrift, 103; Lady Mildred, Olive McGee, Owans, 194.
Third race, selling, 3-year-olds and up, 6 furiongs—"Massenik, 100; "White Grown, "Eddie Delling, 103; Africa Beau, St. Lee, Laberator, Black Thorn, Sweetheart Sue, 105; "Mack Enhance, 199; "Lack Rose, 109; Oakland, Gabrio, 111.
Fourth race, handicap, all ages, 6 furiongs—Hanovia, 98; Othello, 103; Vogue, 106; Luke, 116.

INTERCLUB TENNIS TITLE AT STAKE IN ST. MARTIN'S EVENT

Individual Matches to Determine Champion Is Novel Event for Members at This Tournament

CONTESTS RUN ALL WEEK

Something new in the way of a tennis tournament started this afternoon at the Philadelphia Cricket Club, St. Martin's. Annually the Interclub Lawn Tennis League has fostered a team championship, but in addition to the team matches that were decided in the spring an individual championship was scheduled for this year, and it is this event that began this afternoon.

Players entering the tournment are confined to members of clubs who took part in one or more matches in the interclub series. The events are singles and doubles, and doubles teams need not be made up of members of the same club, but can be selected from among the

players entered .
The tourney will continue all week.

FAST COLTS ON EDGE FOR NARBERTH RACES

Five Events on Program to Be Held Wednesday-Prinelda Works Mile in 2:093/4

The colt meeting at Narberth on Wedneeday promises to draw the largest crowd of racegoers that ever watched a meeting in Philadelphia and vicinity. With its large list of entries of clever trotting youngsters, the events are likely to mark an epoch in the history of

All the colts entered are on edge, having been given their final workouts Fri-day and Saturday. Yesterday the Bel-ment track, at Narberth, was the meeting place for a number of noted horse-men, who journeyed there to get a line on some of the colts.

Five events will make up Wednesday's card, besides a race by double teams. The Sporting Sweepstake, for 2-year-olds. is one of the events that is interesting local racegoers.

The local colt, Directum Bingen, named in the Sporting Stakes by James Bell, is not sure of starting. The colt is somewhat sore and stiff, and whether he will be fit when race day comes is problematical. Directum Bingen is one of the highest-bred colts living. The young trotter was driven a mile in 2:23% at Cleveland, but was unfortunate in having a long shipment from the West, which caused muscle soreness.

BOOBS DEFEAT WISEGUYS

Baseball and Boxing Feature Trouble Factory Outing

Captain Boo-boo's Boob baseball team won a fast and interesting game from Captain Nig's Wiseguy aggregation of national pastimers by a score of 8 to 5 in the feature event of the Trouble Factory's annual outing on Koenig's farm, Darby, yesterday afternoon.

Three boxing matches also were staged. bout between Eddle Sullivan and Jack Kantrow, who are anxious to meet at a local ciub, proved a clever set-to. Alex. Costica, Rumanian boxer, gave a good

exhibition of wrestling.

Seattle Wins Northwestern Pennant SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 20.—The North-western League season closed yesterdar. Seattle winning the 1975 championship. The league started with six clubs and finishes with four. Victoria and Aberdeen having beed cropped from the roster. The surviving club-finished an follows: Seattle, Tacoma, Spokans and Vancouver.

> Who Is VANETTE

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For Judge of Court of Common Pleas, No. 2



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