

# PHILLY OUTFIELD COMPARED WITH RED SOX—LUDERUS TO REPORT WORLD'S SERIES

## PHILLY OUTFIELDERS HAVE OUTHIT RED SOX AGAINST BEST PITCHING

Records in Games With Ten Best in Each League Show Phils. 336; Boston, 228—Paskert May Prove Surprise to His Detractors

FOR several seasons the Red Sox outfield has been voted the greatest in the game, and it is only natural that many critics should hold that the Phils will be badly outclassed in this department in the world's series. But there is no sound reason for this conclusion.

The Red Sox trio of Speaker, Lewis and Hooper may look more like ball players and may have a wonderful knack of exciting comment with their unusual throwing, but all things considered, it is an over-rated combination. In every series played between the Red Sox and Tigers since 1903, the Boston outfield has suffered in comparison with the Detroit trio of Cobb, Crawford and Veach, and it would be no great surprise to those who have followed the two combinations closely if Cravath, Paskert and Whitted completely outplayed the Red Sox outer gardeners.

### Red Sox Outfield Has Slowed Up in Last Year

Figures show that the Red Sox trio have not only slowed up in all departments during the last year, but that they also have failed to perform as expected against the best pitchers in the American League. The Boston outfielders have increased their batting averages at the expense of the Athletics' poor pitching, and a few others of like calibre.

Against the pick of the American League, the Red Sox outfield have proved decidedly weak. In this respect the Phils stand out far above Carrigan's men. Batting against Johnson and Gallia, of Washington; Caldwell and Fisher, of the Highlanders; Faber and Scott, of the White Sox; Daus, of Detroit, and Merton, of Cleveland, and Wellman and Hamilton, of the Browns, the combined Boston outfield batting average is .328, a miserable showing compared to that of the Phils against the ten best twirlers in the National League.

### Philly-Outer Works Have Hit .336 Against the Best

Batting against Rudolph and Tyler, of the Braves; Pfeffer and Smith, of the Dodgers; Toney and Dale, of the Reds; Meadows and Donk, of the Cardinals; Manau, of Pittsburgh, and Tereau, of the Giants, the Philly outfield trio has made the unusual combined average of .336. There is but one conclusion that can be reached, and that is that the Philly outfielders have proved gamer and better batsmen in the pinches.

In selecting the ten American and ten National League pitchers used in the comparison, the aim was to select the best men of each particular delivery. The Red Sox batted against Faber, Gallia and Caldwell, who all use the spit-ball more or less, but none of whom has as much on this delivery as Tereau, Donk and Pfeffer. Johnson is the speed-ball king of the American Leaguers, with Merton not far behind; Scott, Daus and Fisher are fine curve-ball pitchers, while Wellman and Hamilton, the southpaws, are exactly the opposite types, the former being a fast-ball pitcher, while the latter is a slow-ball artist.

### Cravath, Whitted and Paskert Meet All Comers

The National League pitchers who have been batted hard by the Phils are of every type and description, and the men who have been most effective against the National League champions have been selected in preference to a few others who are rated higher, but who have been unable to beat the Phils.

For instance, during the greater part of the season, Vaughn and Sallee have been generally considered more effective than Smith and Tyler, but as neither of these pitchers was able to last nine innings against the Phils, they have not been included. It might also be well to mention that Cravath, Whitted and Paskert have compiled averages of close to .500 against southpaw pitching, while but two left-handers have been considered strong enough to be sent against the Phils in their regular order.

Marquard won one game and tied one against the champions; Kanthier defeated the Phils once, while Smith and Tyler boast of two victories each. They are the only southpaws in the league who have been able to trouble the Phils to any great extent. Vaughn started three games, but got no further than the fourth inning in one game. Other southpaws received similar treatment, and in almost every instance it was the slugging of the Philly outfield that caused the retirement of the southpaw.

### Carrigan May Depend Largely on Southpaws

It is generally believed that Manager Carrigan, of the Red Sox, must depend largely upon southpaws to beat the Phils, as his two twirlers with the greatest amount of natural ability are Leonard and Ruth, right-handers. If such is the case, the Philly outfielders will show up even better in the baseball classic, as they have had a wonderful habit throughout the season of showing up at their best in each critical series.

And it must also be remembered that none of the American League pitchers used in the illustration is an Alexander, barring Walter Johnson, and the combined average of the Red Sox trio in six games against Johnson was just a trifle above .100.

Harry Hooper, who has been placed on a par with Cravath by several critics, had a combined average of .168 for the season against the leading American League pitchers, while Duffy Lewis' mark is .235. Speaker, the star of the trio, could hit only .285, against .339 compiled by Paskert, .387 for Whitted and .323 for Cravath, against pitching of a similar character.

### Temperament of Players Favors Phils

The disposition, or temperament, of the men also must be considered in comparison for a series of this sort. The Phils have an edge on the Red Sox in this respect at least. Cravath and Whitted are players who are sure to shine in the big show. The latter has always been a wonderful money player, being very much on the order of Barry in this respect, while Cravath's easy-going disposition and nerve will allow him to go on in his steady, but brilliant manner.

Paskert's success in the series is largely a matter of doubt, as his disposition is one that will not stand for a bad break of luck. But give Paskert a good start in the first game and the fans are likely to be treated to a wonderful exhibition of outfield playing.

### Paskert May Yet Show His Critics a Thing or Two

Scribes throughout the country have been raving over Speaker's fielding, and he is really a marvel; but the same scribes and fans have not seen much of Paskert in a large field. There are few outfielders in the game who compare with Paskert as a fielder, and local fans cannot appreciate what a remarkable fielder Paskert is, as he is hampered by the short field here. Placed in a large territory, Paskert will not be outclassed by any fielder in the game, while Speaker is likely to find himself handicapped in the small local grounds.

### Lewis Batted .100 Against Alexander

Last winter Duffy Lewis faced Alexander in about 15 games on the tour of the All-Americans and All-Nationals to Honolulu, and his batting average was far below .100. The effect of that trip will be felt in Lewis' work during the series, and it is safe to say that the stories he told of the Nebraskan's wonderful pitching will also be felt.

### Speaker Cannot Carry Whole Outfield

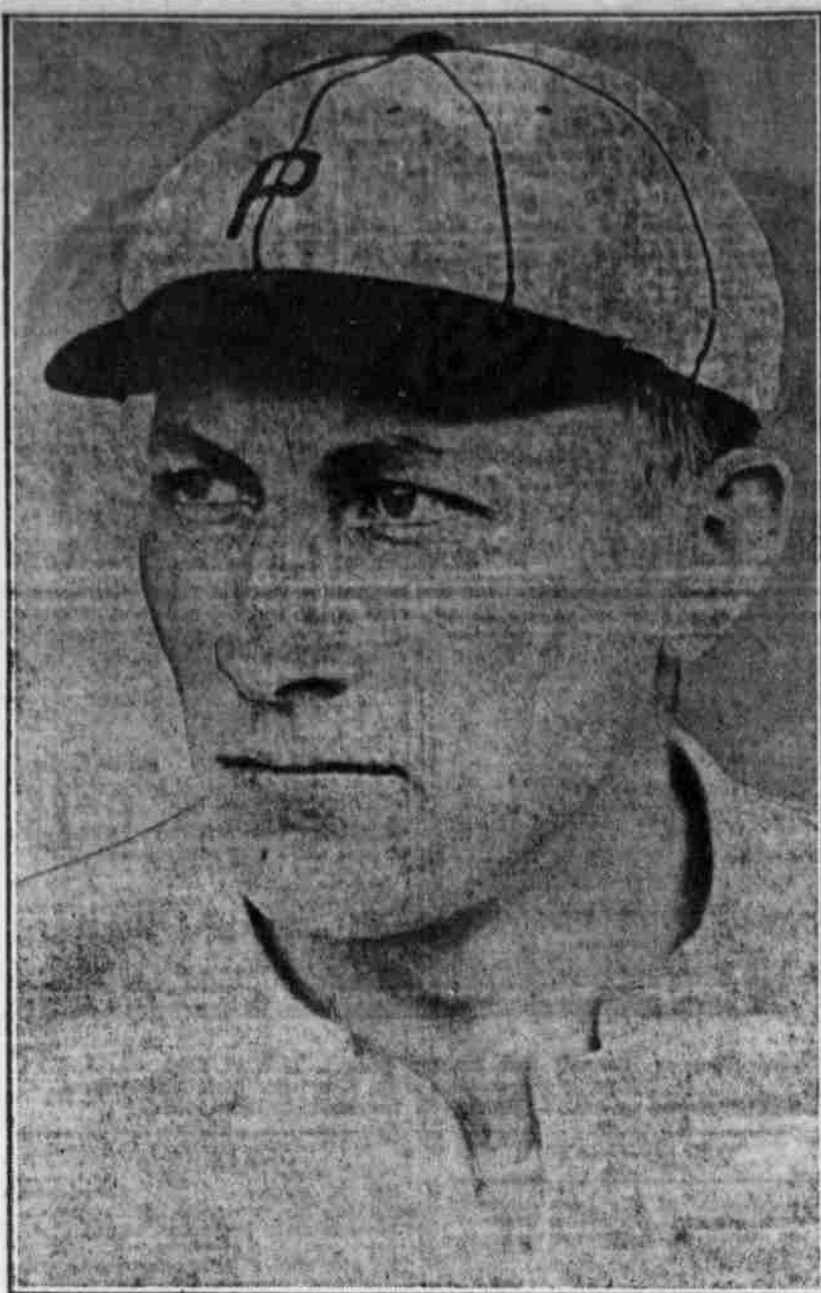
Speaker is expected to star, and is not likely to disappoint these expectations. But if he has no more success against Alexander and Chalmers than the great left-handed batsmen of the National League have had, the edge that the dopesters are giving to the Boston outfield over the Philly combination is likely to vanish. Speaker cannot carry the entire outfield, and results prove that neither Hooper nor Lewis deserves to be rated above Cravath and Whitted. Everything is up to difference in form shown by Paskert and Speaker, and a hunch that Paskert is going to be a pleasant surprise would not be far from right.

### Base Running Will Not Figure Prominently

There is little use in mentioning the base running of any of the men, as none of them is really a high-class base runner. Neither team reports to the style of play that makes base running, except for intelligence, imperative. Speaker was a great base runner a few years ago, but he is not as fast as he used to be.

Another reason why speed on the bases is all a matter of doubt is that they have been playing against different catching and pitching, and there is no way to prove one faster than another. It is also necessary to get on base and to be on even terms or ahead for any team to run wild on the bases. Hitting of the outfielders is a most important factor, and one in which the Phils shine brilliantly.

## NOW FOR THE REAL WORLD'S SERIES DOPE



Captain Fred Luderus, slugging first sacker of the pennant-winning Phillies, will cover the world's series for the Evening Ledger. "Ludy" is there. He is the leader of the Phils in action. Nobody is in better position to know just what happens on the ball field than the captain. "Ludy" directs the play. He will tell Evening Ledger readers just how he does it, how the plays pan out or fail. His will be the real inside dope on the baseball classic.

## LUDERUS, SLUGGING PHIL CHIEF, TO WRITE FOR EVENING LEDGER

Pat Moran's Right-hand Man, Bosom Friend and Confidant Will Cover World's Series, With "Inside Dope" for Readers of This Paper

Luderus—Captain Fred Luderus—slugger extraordinary and the most popular player among the pennant-winning Phils, will report the world's series for the Evening Ledger.

Sit up, fans, and take notice! You will get the real inside stuff, for Ludy knows. He is the captain of the team, directs the Phils in action. There is nobody in better position to tell just what happens, and take it as a straight tip, something will happen when these scrappy Phils clash with the rosy-hued Sox of Boston.

"Ludy" will tell the Evening Ledger readers just how he does things and how he makes his players do things on the ball field, and if the spirit of Dode Paskert and George Whitted and about 18 others means anything, these Phils are going to do something.

Each day Luderus will write a complete review of the game as he sees it from his post at first base, the most advantageous on the field, and from the bench. He will have something to say that no other will know about.

Captain Fred Luderus, of the pennant-winning Phils, will write world's series dope for the Evening Ledger. Luderus will cover the series in a manner that will please the fans. Being captain of the team, he will be in a better position than any one else, save Pat Moran, to tell the Evening Ledger readers just how the baseball classic is won or lost by the Phils.

In an interview with the Evening Ledger, Luderus today declared that he felt sure the Phils would defeat the Red Sox in the big series. In his first article Luderus will tell just why he looks for a victory.

When Luderus was appointed captain of the Phils this spring there was much sarcastic comment penned by scribes of other cities, who had come to look upon him as a slow thinker because he could not talk quite so fast or loud as some of the veterans who were with the team at that time. But he has proved himself one of the best leaders in years.

Luderus is a quiet, unassuming chap, and aside from Moran, who has been his roommate and bosom friend, not even the other members of the team suspected that the big slugger would make such a capable leader. "Ludy" was always popular with his teammates and when appointed captain he started early in the spring to prove to them that he was by far a more brilliant inside player than he had ever been credited with being.

From a quiet, unassuming player, who had really been "ridden" until his spirit and enthusiasm were on the wane, Luderus became an aggressive, inspiring leader.

Aside from his slugging ability, Luderus is a great ball player. He is by far a better fielding first baseman than he has been credited with, as every insider on the Philly team will testify. There are many more graceful first basemen in the National League than Luderus, but there is none, not even Daubert, who is as sure on a throw.

Schmidt, of the Braves, made a wonderful record in 1914 for handling thrown balls, but this season Luderus has surpassed the Boston first baseman.

Luderus will, as captain of the team and Moran's first lieutenant, be in an excellent position to write the inside dope on the series. Watch for these articles.

## KNOCKOUT VICTORY OVER TOM HOWELL, MOORE'S PREDICTION

Rival Southwark Welterweights Clash in National's Final Tonight—Jim Murphy is Sick

"If Tommy Howell opens up and fights, bent on a knockout victory, as he wants to win over me, the fistie fraternity of Little Italy and my constituents will witness a sure K. O. contest, and Howell will be the one Jack McDugan will count out," Willie Moore. This statement was made by the Southwarkite this morning. Howell and Moore meet in the final of the National Club's second show of the season tonight, at 14 pounds, at 6 o'clock.

Young Ernie, Gray's Ferry veteran, will be at the ringside to challenge Moore, win, lose or draw.

The program follows:  
First bout—Jimmy Valentine, Southwark, vs. Mickey McCabe, Gloucester.  
Second bout—Fred Jordan, U. S. S. Kansas, vs. Joe Rosen, West Philadelphia.  
Third bout—Henry Hauber, Fairmount, vs. Kid Steeler, Mt. Carmel.  
Fourth bout—Willie Jones, New York, vs. Benny Kaufman, Southwark.  
Fifth bout—Tommy Howell, Little Italy, vs. Willie Moore, Southwark.

Jimmy Murphy, West Philadelphia's crack lightweight, is suffering from an attack of ptomaine poisoning and, as a result, will be unable to meet Joe Welsh, of Southwark in the star bout at the Ludlow Club tonight. Matchmaker Charley Whalen will get the best lightweight accurate to substitute.

## WHAT MAY HAPPEN IN BASEBALL TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Win. Loss.
Phills	87	61	.588	.581 .584
Boston	79	67	.541	.544 .537
Brooklyn	79	70	.530	
Pittsburgh	72	79	.477	.480 .474
Chicago	71	79	.473	.477 .470
St. Louis	70	80	.467	.470 .464
Cincinnati	70	81	.464	.467 .461
New York	68	79	.463	

AMERICAN LEAGUE	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Win. Loss.
Boston	89	66	.573	.575 .578
Detroit	86	63	.573	
Chicago	80	61	.569	.570 .569
Washington	83	66	.557	.560 .553
New York	86	81	.514	.517 .511
Cleveland	87	87	.500	.503 .497
Athletics	81	88	.478	.481 .475

FEDERAL LEAGUE	Won.	Lost.	Pct.	Win. Loss.
Pittsburgh	83	64	.563	.565 .563
St. Louis	86	66	.566	
Chicago	83	63	.569	.572 .566
Kansas City	80	70	.533	
Newark	77	73	.513	.517 .507
Buffalo	74	78	.487	.490 .484
Brooklyn	70	83	.461	.464 .458
Baltimore	68	84	.447	.451 .443

\*Win. Loss. Close two.

## ON FORM RED SOX SHOULD WIN BUT SO OUGHT THE ATHLETICS

Base Running, for Instance, and Batting Average Show Boston Ahead of Phils, But "Dope" Is Sometimes Shattered—Ballad to Moran

By GRANTLAND RICE

A Ballad for Pat Moran  
Rise, Homer, from your ancient sleep  
And stand once more against the sky:  
Once more let throbbing echoes sweep  
Parnassian heights that range on high;  
Tell us how Hector came to die—  
Achilles flashing out the spear—  
And then, before your ghost must fly—  
Chant us a ballad for Moran.  
From where the silent shadows creep  
Rise, "Burning Sappho," with your cry,  
That once made countless thousands leap  
To catch your lyric heraldry;  
You, too, loved souls that might defy  
Red Fate that storms the fighting clan,  
But ere your startled ghost must fly  
Chant us a ballad for Moran.  
So all who've made us sing or weep,  
Immortal bards who've drifted by  
To darkness in the Stygian deep  
With no last song to make reply—  
You, who once loved a Batting Eye,  
And courage in the soul of man,  
Return, but ere your ghost must fly  
Chant us a ballad for Moran.

A bush league bard—see may not try  
To sing with those who lived with Pan;  
Here's stuff for an Immortal Guy—  
Chant us a ballad for Moran.

At that, Pan should have made a wonderful baseball bard. The accent remaining on the first, last and only syllable.

Champs rise and fade, range high and flutter away, but Time, Time and Time will hold the course unchecked and unchanged.

### World Series Base Running

In the forthcoming world series round-up comparisons will soon be made of the base running ability of Phils and Red Sox, these comparisons to be lifted from the records of the two clubs.  
O Dope, where is thy sting—as the saying has it.  
Last fall the Mackmen were to run rings around the Braves along the old toptop. The records showed they had stolen 229 bases to 139 for the Braves. They had a margin of nearly 100 steals. They had Collins and Barry, Oldring and Strunk, Eddie Murphy and McInnis, most of them fast sprinters who knew the way around.

Boston had but one base runner who had stolen more than 15 bases—Walter Maraville, with 23.

Yet through the whirl of the four-game world series Boston stole nine bases to Philadelphia's two—better than four to one.

The records and the Dope proved one

thing here—but the Sox Score failed to follow suit.  
This season the Red Sox are batting around .54, while the Phils are resting under .50. Therefore, proclaims the Statistician, the Red Sox will outbat the Phils next week.  
The same elastic Dope received a terrible jolt upon the pigstie last year. The Mackmen batted .273 for the season. The Braves batted .351. But when they met beneath October's skies for the big test the Braves batted .344 and the Mackmen .173—over 70 points to the rear.

Yes, you will say, but the Mackmen were a fading clan last season in October, wrecked and dispirited. This may be true enough—but no one knew that as much as 15 minutes before the first game was played—and doped out the psychology of a sportive occasion in advance is another form of brain-tornado.



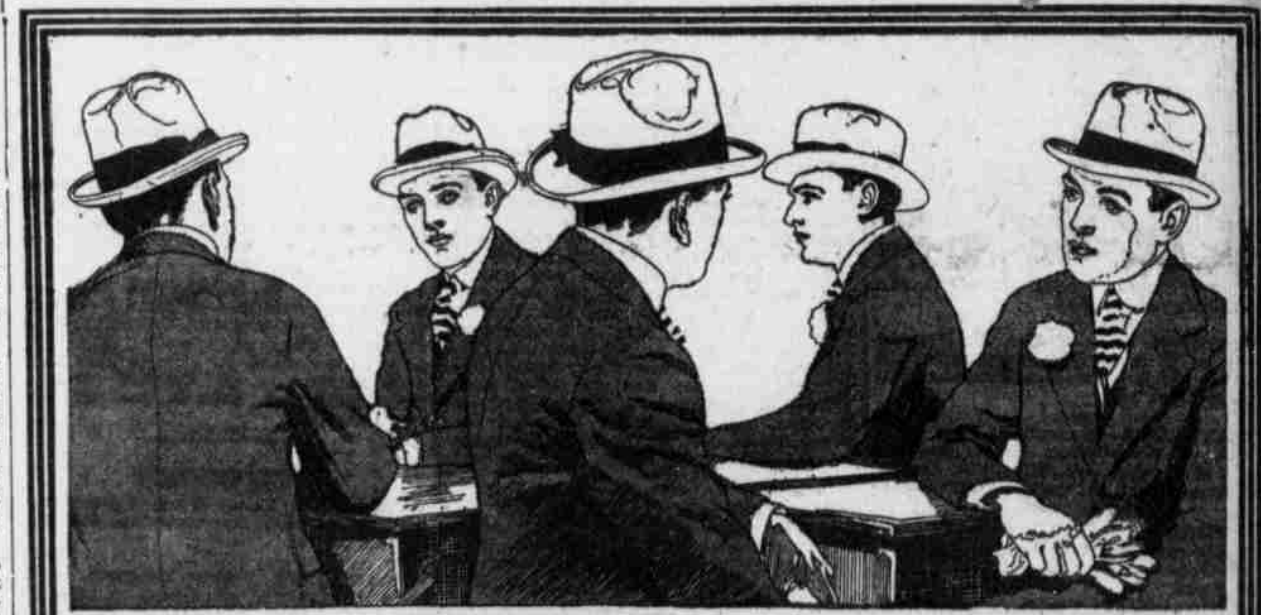
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