WHEN A PHILLY NEEDS A FRIEND

# LARRY GARDNER VS MILTON STOCK—WORK AHEAD FOR TENNIS RANKING COMMITTEE

## GARDNER, OF BOSTON, OUTRANKS STOCK IN POISE AND EXPERIENCE

But Philly Youngster Has Set the Pace for All Third Basemen Since He Became Regular-Red Sox Players' Batting Feared-Slowed Down in Fielding

Third base has played a most important part in many of the great world's series battles. Two of the men whose playing was largely instrumental in turning the tide in a baseball classic are members of the Red Sox and Phillies today, although it is doubtful if one of them, Bobby Byrne, will get into the peries except as a pinch hitter or in a utility role.

In the Pittsburgh-Detroit series of 1909, Bobby Byrne's wonderful fielding saved one game and kept Pitcher Babe Adams out of trouble in another, while his batting, although his average was not up to the 300 mark, was timely and effective. Gardner, in 1912, had the honor of driving in the run which won the world's series, scoring Yerkes with a sacrifice fly to Josh Devore. His fielding then was sensational. He made four errors during the series, but in the pinch he made many wonderful plays.

#### Stock Certain to Be At Third During World's Series

Before Byrne was injured it seemed certain that these two men, who had previously starred in a world's series, would compete against each other. But took, given a chance to play regularly, has done so well that he is now considered the first choice for the position.

In comparing the third basemen for the coming series the consensus of inion has it that the Phillies are outclassed. But there is nothing really farther from the case.

Gardner's world's series experience in 1912 may be a great help to him in the coming battle, but a real high-class bell player goes just as well in a series of this sort as in the regular playing season, and Gardner's greater experience will be of no great value after the first few innings of the opening battle.

There is no denying that Gardner is a strong, evenly balanced player, but there is also no denying the fact that he has slowed down a great deal since 1912. Increasing weight has had a great deal to do with this, but it must also be remembered that Gardner. like Byrne, is no longer a youngster so far as baseball is concerned, and for this reason the youth and dash of Stock must be

#### Larry Gardner's Eye Will Be on That Right Field Wall

The Red Sox third baseman is likely to be a dangerous man in the Philly field, as he is one of the few good field hitters in the Boston line-up, but as a general thing, he is not to be feared a great deal on the offence. His base running has fallen off to such an extent that he can no longer be rated as even a fair man on the paths.

In the field Gardner has also slowed up in a measure. This line of reasoning is not based on the fact that his average is poorer or that he has made many more errors, but from observation. It has been pointed out that Gardner's ability to cut in behind the pitchers for slow grounders would alone give him the preference over either Stock or Byrne, but as a matter of fact the fallure of Gardner in this very department is keeping Janvrin, a better hitter than Scott, out of the line-up. Janvrin is a great hitter but only a fair fielder, and is outclassed by Scott in coming in for these slow bounders.

Carrigan realized that he must overcome the shortcoming of Gardner since his slowing down and bolstered the fielding at the expense of the offense.

#### Stock Has Lead All Third Sackers Since He Replaced Byrne

It is impossible for anybody to forecast just what Stock will do in the coming series, but it is certain that no third baseman has played better than he has since replacing Byrne. If he continues at the same clip, Larry Gardner will not come up to the Stock standard.

Past performances and failures with other teams have little to do with world's series playing, and the fact that McGraw decided that Stock would not do as a third baseman will in no way handicap him, because Lobert, who was wanted so badly by the Giants, has failed to fill the bill over a long stretch of games, giving McGraw's judgment a severe jolt.

The Mackmen and fans throughout the country were sure that the bunch of misfits Stallings had welded into a championship team, could not hope to compare with the greatest machine in the game, and this was one of the main causes for the shock last October. It would be a great help to the Phillies if the Red Sox would take the critic's word for it and hold Stock cheaply.

#### The Pitchers Who Are Expected to Make a Monkey of Stock

Stock is to be a mark for the terrific speed of Shore, Leonard and Ruth, and he will be equally easy for the crafty Wood and Foster-at least, that is the way it is being doped out. But the robust batting average of Stock, made just when it was needed most, convinces local fans that it shall be otherwise. It is safe to say that the left handers on the Red Sox staff do not far outclass the star port-siders of the National League, and Stock has found left-handed pitching particularly easy.

There are many more graceful performers around third base than Stock, it there are few who have his wonderful hands. Stock is a third baseman by nature. He has abnormally large and powerful hands, and these give him the edge on any other man in the game, barring "Runt" Walsh, when it comes to handling hard-hit balls.

## Gardner Has Balance and Experience on Philly Player

In other fielding departments Stock measures up to the standard. He is not quite so strong as Byrne in fielding bunts or in getting started after the ball, but he has a good arm, a cool head and a lot of nerve. On the bases he is so far superior to Gardner that there is no room for comparison, but as base running, except in the point of taking extra bases on hits, is not likely to play an important part in any world's series, this advantage will avail Stock but

All things considered, and taking the men as they finished up the season, physically and in playing ability, Gardner has nothing but balance and experice on Stock. There is a chance of Stock "blowing up," but Gardner is sure to be consistent if nothing else.

## It Was a Substitute Who Won for White Sox Against Cubs

Back in 1906 George Rohe, a substitute third baseman, was sent into the came when Lee Tannehill was injured, and this lad, never a star before or after. won the series for the White Sox against the Cubs in the greatest baseball upset ever known in a world's series, not even excepting the downfall of the Mackmen last season.

Rehe went into the regular line-up late in the season, just as Stock did this season, and played wonderful ball right on through the remainder of the regular season and in the world's championship. History sometimes repeats, and there are many who believe that the game and fighting little Stock will more than uphold his end in the coming series with the Red Sox.

Of all the former Philly managers in the history of the club, who are now living, there was but one who sent Manager Moran his congratulations. This one was Arthur Irwin, who wrote the Philly leader as follows: "Congratulations. You have done what the rest of us could not do as a manager, that is, won the National League championship for Philadelphia."

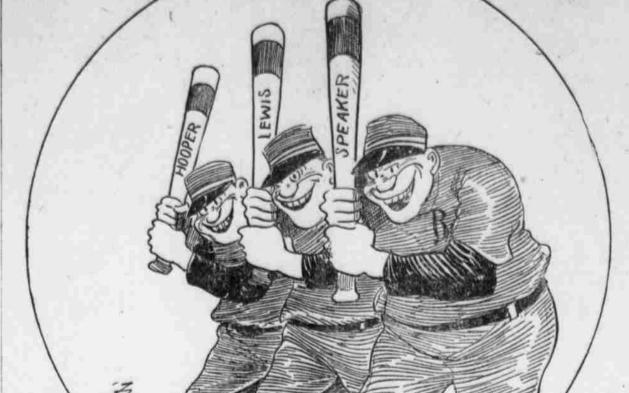
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## McCready to Handle Press Arrangements Again

The Philly officials made a wise move when they placed the press arrangements in the kands of Joe McCready, who has taken care of this department in previous world's series in this city. One of the features of every world's series here has been the able manner in which McCready took care of the visiting newspapermen. To the general public this looks like a simple task, but It is such a large undertaking that in other cities it has been badly handled

Chleage won the Federal League pennant by winning the second game of a double-header from Pittsburgh on the last day of the season. Pittsburgh, which led the league after winning the first game, finished in third place by dropping the second; St. Louis finished one point behind Chicago. Four points separated the three teams.

William H. Humphreys, president of the Panama-Pacific Exposition Sports Committee, is on his way East to secure the consent of the owners and league heads to take the winner of the world's series to the coust to play a series of games with an all-star aggregation. It is likely the request will be turned fown if the Phillies win.



## LOCAL GOLFERS ANXIOUS TO SEE TRAVERS AND OUIMET MEET HERE

#### Disappointed That Two Stars Did Not Clash at Merion. Fownes' Great Stymie Shot Sensation of Leslie Cup Meeting

Local golf fans had everything in the way of matches between the stars last week at Merion that they have been pining for, except the one big one which the whole country is hoping for before the season ends, and that is a little go between Jerry Travers and Francis Ouimet. These two famous players both performed before large galleries, but did not come together. Local promoters have not yet given up hope of staging the big match in this city, and a sincere effort will be made to get the two stars together be-

Neither would make any definite prom ises as to an exact date, but were fairly willing to meet.

fore the month is over.

Poor Captain Bill Fownes, of the Pennsylvania team, had to do all the heavy work for his delegation, but to say he responded nobly is putting it mildly. On Frices he sent Francis Oulmet a-tumbling after 19 holes, and Saturday he climbed out of bed to buck Jerry Travers, and then he carried the match to the 17th green after being four down at one time.

Both Fownes and Travers pulled a shot that brought prolonged yisping and claps from the gallery. On the 11th Fownes poked down a pitch shot which stood up not three feet from the pin. Travers dropped his cigarette, and in a cloud of smoke pleasantly dropped his ball between the other ball and the hole for a near-stymic. This is not being done except in the best circles. cept in the best circles.

#### CHANCE FOR AVERAGE GOLFER Shawnee C. C. to Encourage Handicap Men to Enter Fall Events

NEW YORK, Oct. 4 -- A novelty in conditions has been provided by the Shawnee Country Club for its tournament October 7, 8 and 2. Rather than cater exclusively nounced that it will pay special atten- the City Controller. tion to the average handicap man.

After the qualifying round at scratch for the purpose of dividing the field into iss, match play will continue with each player using his regular club handicap. This condition is quite different from that which prevalls in the average tournament, and shows a disposition to give special attention to the medium player.

## Series Detail at Keith's

Arrangements have been made by the management of B. F. Keith's Theatre to receive by direct wire the complete details of all games of the world's zeries in this city and in Boaton between the Phillies and the Red Box. Every play will be accurately described and read from the stage during the progress of each same.

The title of the next book by Jerry Travers will be "How to Play the Eighth Hole at Merion." Both morning and aft-Both morning and afternoon he landed a shot for a two. couldn't quite connect either time, but that will be told in Chapter II of the

Although there was a goodly array of gallery cops to keep the crowd back, the guards were powerless to handle the chickens. Going to the third green, a pullet in white insisted on strutting about on the green. Travers could not play until Fownes had shooed it away.

Jerry started off against Fownes just like all other players not in the Big Fif-teen. He sliced his drive and likewise topped it. It went some 40 feet with a great awishing and howdy-do. Travers promptly took his iron to the next hole, but got up his nerve again to use the wood on the fifth. After that he had little trouble.

The difference in the number of clubs the stars use is worthy of note. Harry Vardon insists that II is the exact num-ber. Travers only carried eight, three of cept in the best circles.

ber. Travers only carried eight, three of which are wooden, and one a putter. Outmet and Fownes carry a forest of sticks. Fownes carries six wooden clubs the 18th. Travers' ball was on the lip of

## Clarke Honored by Council

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 4 .- A resolution expressing appreciation for the services to the city of Fred C. Clarke, retiring manager of the Pirates, has been drawn up by Councilman Robert Garland and will be presented to the Council at its session tomorrow. The resolution has been signed to star performers, the club has an- by all the members of the Council and

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## WILLIAM JOHNSTON TO BE RANKED AS PREMIER RACQUET WIELDED

#### National Champion Had Better Success on Courts Than Any Other Player-McLoughlin and Williams Probably Will Come Second and Third

Despite the fact that National Champion William M. Johnston, by his defeats of Maurice & McLoughlin, R. Norris Willtams, 2d, and Karf H. Behr, ranked first, second and third among the lawn tennis players of the land, clearly established his right to lead the 1916 ranking list, there is bound to be a raft of criticism directed at the friendless Ranking Committee after the list is published.

Last year a precedent was established when the national champion was ranked below the man he defeated in the final of the national. "Why," was the question naked, "should McLoughlin be placed ahead of the wearer of the national crown?" McLoughlin's victories over Wilding and Brookes, together with Willlama' defeats at the hands of the same men, were the real reasons. And the Ranking Committee was perfectly right. for the California Comet, after the high tension he reached in the international championships, relaxed, and was an easy victim for Williams in the national. The same thing happened to Williams, who, following his victory over McLoughlin, lost to Church in the intercollegiates, and the same thing happened to Johnston this year after his well-sustained effort in the national event. Three days after gaining the topmost position in American lawn tennis Johnston lost to Williams in the East vs. West matches, and more re-cently to McLoughlin.

As there were no international matches this year, the job of the Ranking Com-mittee in laying out its work is to use. first, the national championahip, and second, performances previous to the championship. The main question is: Do Johnston's victories over Behr, at 3-6, 6-2, 6-2, 7-5, and over Williams at 5-7, 6-4, 5-7, 6-2, 8-2, and over McLoughlin, at 1-6, 6-0, 7-6. 19-8 (this second set being the only love set that McLoughlin ever lost), offset his defeat by McLoughlin in the Exposition final at San Francisco: by Niles, at Long-wood; by Pell, at Southampton, and by Byford, at Chicago, previous to the cham-

ionship?
What happened after Johnston won the singles title, and with Griffin the doubles title, should be a closed book to the Ranking Committee, for after a strenuous preliminary campaign, and an ever more strenuous 10 days of championship battles, it was nothing more or less than natural that Johnston should suffer a let down. There is no question in the minds of critics and close students of the game that on the last few days of the Forest Hills event Johnston could have beaten any tennis player in the world. At the time the tennis season really closed, as far as important tournaments were concerned. Johnston had clearly demonstrated his supelority over the lead-

or monstrated his superiority over the leading players in the land, and his victories over McLoughlin. Williams and Behr, gained when they would do the most good and when they were of the greatest importance, certainly offset his earlier defeats in tournaments where nothing Three hundred and eighty-seven trotters and pacers were entered and eligible to start at the two weeks' racing at the Columbus Grand Circuit meeting. Of the number, 186 fazed the starter during the first week and 138 the secret week, a total of 288 horses, 175 trotters and 150 pacers. Of the number, 42 trotters and 150 pacers. Of the number, 42 trotters and 151 pacers won a portion of the money the first week, and 30 trotters and 35 pacers who appeared to the winnings the second week, a total of 21 trotters and 30 pacers for the moeting. was at stake but the honor of winning. was at stake but the honor of wiening. Fortunately there were no international matches this year to further complicate matters. The Davis Cup matches last year were of greater importance to this country than the national championship, and McLoughlin clearly demonstrated when he defeated Brookes at 17-15, 6-3, 6-3, and Wilding at 6-2, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2, two men who defeated Williams, that he was the greatest tennis player in the world. How could the American public consistently could the American public consistently hall "Mac" as the greatest in the world and still hall Williams as the best in

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placed second to Johnston, Williams | McLoughlin? Williams has had a sort McLoughlin? Williams has had a for in-and-cut season on the courts, whi is apt to be chronic with him, becoff the peculiarities of his methods in bright spots on his record are his definition of McLoughlin at Newport and of the at Seabright, although the last may be taken the actionals. at Seabright, although the last may be taken too seriously, since Behr a a worn-out man when he faced Willia after his defeat of McLoughlin. The ference between Williams and McLou lin is that the latter has the record never lowering his colors to other to topnotchers, while Williams lost a topnotchers, while Williams lost a to Walter Merrill Hall in the allegers and two sets to C. M. Bull, Jr. as one to Crais Biddle at Newport of grass, Williams defeated McLoughlin as Behr, the conqueror of McLoughlin. M. Loughlin defeated Williams on grass Longwood, a classic that has alway ranked second to the all-comers, so on asphalt at San Francisco. McLoughlin's victory over Williams at Longwoomay also be taken with a grain of a since McLoughlin was not called upon play until Williams had worked his we through the tournament.

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As both lost to the same man in national championship, the question which is the better on the strengts comparing their records against Johns is like comparing football scores. Yale beats Princeton 13-0, and Princeton table that the everlasting daylights out of Harvar The dope sounds all right, but it gets joit when Harvard takes a fall out

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Nevertheless, the chances are that so ond place will be given to Williams, the strength of his five-set match of Johnston, with McLoughlin coming this the lowest position he has held since I

It is rumored that the United State Golf Association, instead of handicapple golfers from scratch to five strokes. hereafter publish a list of golfers eligi for the national championship, which s embrace all who are entitled to a rat of five strokes or less. This is a step, the right direction, and will do aw with many unpleasantries. It is also example that the United States Nati to copy.



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