#### EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 1916. 12 \* SIXTEEN BIG LEAGUE TEAMS READY TO BEAT 1916 BARRIER WITH A FLYING START **GRANDOLDOPE TAKES COUNT** NORTHEAST OPENS SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE AS FANS SELECT FAVORITES **BASEBALL SEASON** IF BENNY KAUFE RUNS NOW TAKE COBB'S AVERAGE- YOU KNOW WHAT HE'S DONE OF COURSE- WE ALL KNOW BUT HU CAN'T PUT TO WIN BASEBALL PENNANTS TRUE TO FORM - TAKE TY- ISN'T HE THE WONDER ? . HU HNOW IT WITH QUAKERS COBB WILL HAVE TO HUSTLE Phils and Red Sox Will Open Season With Virtually 1915 Line-up—Both New York Teams High School Nine Will Are Good and Other Clubs Plan Surprise Meet Penn Charter at Will the dope be completely upset in the major league baseball races again Queen Lane this season? If so, which team or teams are going to do it and who will be The first clash between one of the In-terscholastic League teams and an In-teracademic League nine will be staged tomotrow afternoon when Northeast High School and Penn Charter players meet at responsible for the sensation? These questions are always uppermost in the minds of the fans throughout the United States when the season opens. Undoubtedly there will be "spring bloomers" in each league. By this we mean teams which will start off with a Queen Lane. This game should attract a large crowd and will afford comparison between the leagues. Penn Churter has already achieved considerable fame by its great rush and soon pile up a big lead. This also is true of individuals. Last season the Phillies in the National League, and the White Sox in the American League, started off as if they were going to walk away with the flag diamond conquests. The Northeast High nine is still of unknown quality. in their respective leagues. The "I told you so" fraternity is always in evidence in October, but last spring hardly a baseball fan in the land expected the Phillies The scholastic schedule for tomorrow LOOK FOR WHY TAKE THE WAIT - WAIT follows to win and few looked for the sudden slump of the White Sox after their sensa-MY WORD BIG SLUMP IN THE Northeast High vs. Penn Charter, at Queer YANKS F'RINSTANCE -A MINUTE tional first swing around the circuit. ATTENDANCE THIS ne, Episcopal Academy vs. Swarthmore Preps. Swarthmore, Jonkintown High vs. Chellenham High, at If any one had had nerve enough to pick the Phillies to win the pennant last spring, he would have been ridiculed. On form the Phils did not have much more ellenham. Brown Preps vs. Villanova Preps, at Villachance of winning the pennant at the start of the 1915 season than the Athletics Luke's School vs. Germantown Academy, Luke's Preps vs. Tome Institute, at have in 1916, but it happened. This uncertainty has helped make baseball the national game. Harder to Dope Out Race La Salle College vs. Philadelphia College of harmacy. Last spring it was much easier to get a line on the relative strength of the various teams, but with so many changes in the rosters of almost every team, it **OTHER SPORTS ON PAGE 14** is virtually impossible to dope out the coming campaigns, as prejudices for or against the Federal League sway almost every one interested in the game. In the history of baseball under the National Agreement there have never been two such open races. The work of one or two players-whether they be Federal Leaguers or youngsters from the bushes-may completely upset the dope. There are so many new faces and new combinations that almost anything may happen. Both pennant winners-the Phillies and Red Sox-are virtually standing pat on the line-ups which brought success last season. Boston will be without Friction Kills the sensational Speaker, and it is thought that he will be badly missed, but Carrigan will still have the same combination and much depends upon whether Bearings and Gears BAD WEATHER HALTS WORK Clarence Walker, Shotten or Hendriksen can fit into the machine. Combination. April and the snow falls fast," yet tennis **COLLEGES SHOW** ereally booming in the schools of Phila-elphia. If we can get but a few clear, If you want to draw fricteamwork and hustling are of greater value than individual orilliancy and it is possible that one of the trio of candidates for Speaker's position will fit in per on's teeth, stop when ON LOCAL TENNIS COURTS warm days, we will see a large number of fectly with Carrigan's system. **GREAT INTEREST** ou see the Dixon sign future champs displaying remarkable form for so early in the year. ou see the Dixon sign nd get the Dixon lubri-ant your car needs. Ask your dealer for the Dison Lubricating Chart CISETH DIXON CRUCIBLE CO. Phils Apparently Are Stronger This Year Schools' Plans Spoiled by the Recent Snow. The Phillies have added Wilbur Good, a steady and reliable veteran; Joe **IN PENN RELAYS** Vollmer Sets New Tank Mark Vollmer Sets New Tank Mark NEW YORK, April 11.—Herbert Vollmer, of the New York athietic Cub, made a new world's record in winning the 229-yard na-tional A. A. U. swimming the 229-yard na-tional A. A. U. swimming the 229-yard na-tional A. A. U. swimming the 229-yard na-tional A. J. Swimming the 229-yard na-tional for the set of the angle of the set of the mer finished about eight yards A. C. Teiford Cann, of the N. Y. A. C. was third. Arthur McAleenan, of the New York A. C. related his fills at fancy diving with 142.25 points. Frank Mullen and R. Lawrence, of the same club, finished second and third, with 147.25 and 131.8 points, respectively. In a special 100-yard face Duke Kabanamoku won in 54.3-5 seconds. Oeschger and the famous "Chief" Bender. Baseball experts everywhere but in Gibbons May Coach Penn Charter this city agree that the Phils will have to be stronger than in 1915 to repeat. Latentiabed 1827 Early spring games indicate that the team is moving along smoother at the pres-Racquet Wielders ent time, but much will depend upon what these three additions to the 1915 ma-Many New Marks Expected Philadelphia Branch, 1020 Arch Street chine can accomplish. to Be Made at Franklin By WILLIAM T. TILDEN, 2D Most other clubs have taken on from 5 to 15 new men and sensational wakes it sure that a representative team will be in the Junior Interacademic PIXON'S GRAPHITE Automobile THIS April weather is enough to drive work by two or three men can make any team in either league a pennant con-Field This Year one almost crazy, However, joking tender, barring possibly the Athletics and Cleveland in the American League Lone almost transf. However, passes naide, this snowstorm has just about ruined the school tennis season. This week should have been the opening of the school season, but from all accounts of courts the first of May seems to be the time for the real League. Mr. Rex deserves great credit for the amount of interest he has aroused in the school. This is sustained and in-creased each week by the lectures which Mr. Paul W. Gibbons gives on the essenand the Pirates in the National League. Last year Alexander, Cravath and Bancroft were sensations for the YALE HAS BIG CHANCE Phillies and their brilliancy carried the rest of the team along until the men Weiser to Join New London Club LUBRICANTS got the needed confidence. After that there was no stopping the team. The SHAMOKIN, Pa., April 11.—Harry Weiser, ite of the Phillies, and Anthony Marheffan, ho returned from Hot Springs, Ark. lasi wek, where he trained with the Pittaburgh attoinal League Club, have departed for New anden. Cond., to play with that city in the antern Amoofintion. opening. However, things are progressing for all that. We hear on good authority that all that. We hear on good authority that Red Sox uncovered a wonderful pitching staff, which, while powerful in natural importance of the University of tials of good tennis. Pennsylvania's relay carnival to the track interests of the whole intercollegiate athability in 1914, apparently needed a great deal of experience. Frankford High School is working daily all that. We hear on good authority that Penn Charter is trying to get Mr. Gibbons to take charge of the tennis there in con-junction with Mr. Clinton A. Strong, their regular tennis coach. Should they suc-ceed in getting Mr. Gibbons they are to be congratulated, for they will secure one of the best instructors in Philadel-phia. On the other hand, Mr. Gibbons will be fortunate in having the best furin the gymnasium and making excellent progress. It was planned to start outletic world was never shown to better advantage than this year. Almost without exception the leading universities of the East and the Middle West have timed the In the gymnasium and making excellent progress. It was planned to start out-door practice last Saturday, but the snow has put off this idea for a week. Dow-heim and Kennedy are rapidly rounding into fine form. Dowheim, for a kid, has one of the best rounded games in the Hard Hitting of Red Sox Made Pitchers The success of Shore, Ruth and Foster was largely due to the number of runs scored by the Red Sox carly in the season. The young hurlers were batted beginning of their track and field train-ing to have their men in fair condition for this meet. At various times within the last 20 years some of these colleges have rather hard during the first month of the campaign, but when they were getting away with victories in games where the opposing team tallied four and five city and should greatly improve this runs to a game, they became confident and soon the natural ability was brought leason.

out in a wonderful manner. The addition of two or three players has made several teams pennant contenders which otherwise might not have been rated as dangerous. The Boston Braves have been playing wonderful ball this spring, and the addition of anetchy and Wilholt to the regular team and Knetzer and Allen to the pitching staff is believed to have been largely responsible for the return to form of the 1914 sensations.

Brooklyn plugged up a weak outfield post by the addition of Jimmy Johnston, while Hickman and Olson apparently are high-class utility men. The lack of strong utility material last season was one of the main causes of the slump of the Dodgers last fall. Dell, Mails and Appleton, three young pitchers, appear the Dodgers last fall. Dell, Mails and Appleton, three young pitchers, appear toshave developed a great deal since last season, and they may prove equal to the task of carrying along a pitching staff which was erratic throughout the last the task of carrying along a pitching staff which was erratic throughout the last

shown a disposition to pass up these games, particularly if their material was not such as to give them an even chance

to annex one or two championships. That situation has been steadily changing, until now all the leading universities may be counted upon to enter teams in one or more of the relay championships with just as much certainty as they will give This

repare for the "intercollegiates. is because they recognize the relays as one of the two classic track meets of America, for it gives their candidates an incentive to work and develops them as

sities are pointing their very best ath-

will be fortunate in having the best ten-nis material in the city to work with. Thoroughly instructed in the rudiments

of the game and in schoolboy tennis tactics by Mr. Strong, the boys of Penn Charter are just ripe for advanced in-struction of the type Mr. Gibbons will

Episcopal Academy has started in Indoor work, and should put a star team in the interscholastic. Edward Cassard, Baird Huhn and Van Name will prove a strong combination

The entries for the Germantown Acad-emy junior tennis tournament were opened last week. The entry list, taken from the fourth form (1919) and below, includes 59 names. This is a remarkable showing for the school. Germantown has

West Philadelphia has uncovered a star in Trimble. He shows speed and excel-lent strokes, while with his height and weight he should rapidly develop a hard So it can easily be seen that while "'tis





### Tinker May Bring the Cubs Back

The Cubs have played miserable ball throughout the spring, but a sudden awakening on the part of some of the new talent may bring Tinker's team back to life. Overconfidence prevailed in the Cub camp when the training season opened, and Tinker has a great task on his hands to prevent dissension from creeping in since the Phils won those seven straight games.

If Tinker can keep his head and retain control over his players, the Cuba should gradually round into form. Too much was expected of the team. It is only natural that the combination of old Cubs and Federal Leaguers should fail to work smoothly early in the year. It requires time to build a system of team play and to get the men accustomed to each other.

Benny Kauff, Ed Rousch, George Anderson, "Chick" Rariden and several recruits of great promise have been added to the roster of the tail-end Giants, and the future of the team depends entirely upon what they do and how the pitching staff develops. The "if" again enters the argument, as McGraw will almost surely have his team in the running from the start if all or a large percentage of his recent purchases make good.

### One Man May Put Cards in Race

St. Louis looked like a "bush league" aggregation many times last season because it had no shortstop. The value of a shortstop was brought home to local fans who watched the work of the team in 1914, when there was a hole at that position and then saw the position covered so capably by Dave Bancroft last season

Manager Huggins has picked up Ray Corhan from the San Francisco Club who was touted as a better man than Bancroft by Pacific Coast League acribes and a youngster named Roger Hornsby from the Muskogee Club of the Western Association. Corhan has been out of the game through injuries and Hornsby has been filling in. The sensational work of this youngster has completely changed the outlook for the Cardinals, and Corhan probably will sit on the bench for the rest of the season unless Hornsby blows up.

Cincinnati also has been strengthened by the addition of young blood, and a few Federal Leaguers. With a powerful pitching staff this team may get in the race "if" one or two young players can suddenly blossom forth as stars. Every team but Pittsburgh appears to have strengthened in the National League, and every team has a chance "if" the "spring bloomers" refuse to fade in midseason.

American League Race Also Open

The American League is in very much the same position. New York has almost an entirely new team. Manager Donovan has been allowed to purchase any player who was on the market if he wanted him, and if he does not have the team in the race from the start, it will be because he exercised poor judgment in the men he selected or because they proved "spring bloomers."

Washington has picked up several youngsters who are to be given a chance in the regular line-up. Joe Judge has won the first base position, and is touted as a star, while Jamleson and Harber, two more recruits, will be found in the outfield. With the wonderful Walter Johnson in his old time form, and a few young pitchers showing great form, the Senators also have a chance to upset the dope "If" the youngsters come through and fit into Griffith's system.

The Browns are in very much the same position in their league as the Cubs are in the National. Fielder Jones has staked his reputation on the ability of his Federal League players to hold their own, and depends upon a wonderful pitching staff to gradually force the team out in front. Apparently Jones also has overestimated the ability of the Fed players, but it will require time to prove that such is the case. The Phillies were beaten in the spring series by the Mackmen last year, yet Moran's team won the pennant while the Athletics finished in last Therefore the victory of the Cardinals over the Browns in the spring rise must not be taken too seriously.

virtually all will be represented in the The same is true various special events. of the Middle Western universities. In fact, they promise to be better represented than the eastern schools which are nearer. At this writing the thing which stands at most clearly is that there is more than

en chance for new world's records to established in each of the three cham-onship relays at one, two and four miles. And this statement is made in suite of the fact that the records in these three events are about as low as human legs can put them. But give us good weather, fast track and the standard of compo ion will be enough to shatter former narks.

The record most easily broken is that for the two miles. Strange to say, this event has seldom brought out together so many high-class teams as the one and four-mile relays. It seems easier for colleges to find enough sprinters and quarter milers to form one good mile team or to group a lot of distance runners into one creditable four-mile team than it is to That this is so is shown by the records. That this is so is shown by the records. The Pennsylvania team that did 3:18 for the one-mile relay last year averaged just 4912 seconds to the quarter, which

When Cornell established the record of 7:55 1-5 for the four-mile relay in 1911 he lthacans averaged 4:28 4-5 for the nile. That was a good average for the nile, but 4:28 4-5 for the mile is not in the class with 4.95 for the quarter. The two-mile record is 7 minutes 55 3-5 sec-onds, and was made by Princeton last year. To do that the Tiger had to average 1:58 9-10 for the half, virtually the same

1:53 9-10 for the haif, virtually the same sort of an average that Cornell made for the four-mile event. From the way the runners have been shaping up this spring it looks as though Yale would have a good chance to alice something off Princeton's figures for the two-mile event, and certainly Cornell ought to lower the figures another team from Ithaca made in 1911. The backbone of the Yale team consists of Overton and Barker, two men who ought to average 1:57 for the half. Assuming that two more men can be developed to do 2 min-utes. Yale should get inside Princeton's record.

As for the four-mile, Cornen has men in Windmagle. Potter and Ho who should average close to 4:25, ing anôther man who can do 4:25 to be easy. It is a pity that the lth were not harder pressed in 1911, fo As for the four-mile, Cornell has th to be easy. It is a pity that the It were not harder pressed in 1911, fo team contained Jones, Berna, Putna Hunger.

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for the junior team this year David F Beard, whose showing in the city indoor tournament, where he took a set from Searing Wilson, the junior indoor chamion, was so excellent: Stuart Valentine the youngster who created a favorable impression at Cynwyd, and again in the indoor; Joseph Jellett, Newton Beck and Lewis Smith. All these boys are steadily proving and should make a remarka good showing in the league's competi-

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