

CONNIE MACK IS DEVELOPING TEAM THIS SEASON IN PREPARATION FOR 1917 CAMPAIGN

ATHLETICS OPEN SEASON AT HOME WITH BOSTON SOX AT SHIBE PARK TOMORROW

Tail-end Mackmen to Give Philadelphia's First American League Exhibition Here Opposed to Champions of the World

MANAGER MACK of the Athletics will permit the local fans to get the first glimpse of his tail-end aggregation tomorrow, when the Boston Red Sox, champions of the world, will aid in the official opening of the American League season in this city. Manager Mack recently declared that he considers this the most interesting and important year of his long career as a manager.

It is during the present campaign that Mack intends to try out all his youngsters and he has predicted that he will have found the combination which he believes will eventually be moulded into the greatest of all Mack teams before the month of August is over. Rival managers and fans in other cities declare that Mack is tackling a bigger job than he can handle, and that he will fail, but Philadelphia who saw the master manager build three other machines, each greater than the previous one, are confident he will turn the trick.

There is not one chance in a thousand of the Athletics winning the pennant this season, but there is an excellent chance to finish in the first division according to Mack, providing the youngsters who are due to report in June need as little seasoning as Mack believes. The first division or a position at the head of the second division is the aim of Mack, but he will not change his developing plans just to accomplish this purpose.

Great Progress Has Been Made This Spring

Mack says that the present season will be spent developing for 1917, but that the fans will see a real game every day. He will not tolerate exhibitions such as some of those witnessed at Shibe Park last season. Four straight games have been lost by the Mackmen, but all but one have been close contests which would have been turned into victories with the breaks going our way.

In the games played to date Mack has uncovered two promising young pitchers in Nabors and Myers, an excellent young catcher in Meyer and a sensational infielder in Lawton Witt, the Goddard Seminary youngster. Witt made a wonderful impression on the Boston players and fans in his debut Saturday and yesterday he made an instant hit in New York.

The fans of the latter city are considered the most critical in the country, and the fact that Witt made such an excellent impression in New York should be enough to arouse the curiosity of local fans. Witt's fielding has been sensational and he has shown none of the faults Mack feared would crop out in his work in this department. At bat, which is really Witt's strong point, he has led the team, making three hits out of seven times at bat in two games.

While speaking of Witt it might be well to mention that the youngster is still enrolled as a student at Goddard Seminary. He will return to Goddard in the fall for his senior year and then intends to enter the University of Vermont, taking a special course which will not interfere with major league baseball.

Alexander Looked Like the Alex of 1915

Alexander the Great pitched another splendid game yesterday. He appeared to have a great deal more "stuff" than he showed on opening day and the fans can rest assured that there is nothing wrong with the Nebraska's arm. He grew stronger as the game progressed and looked every bit as good as he did at this time last season.

The Braves had only two real chances to score on Alexander and poor headwork, coupled with the Nebraska's clever twirling, killed those brief rallies. After the fifth inning the Braves realized that they had no chance for victory unless they got lucky breaks and Rudolph went to pieces. The victory enabled the Phillies to go into first place. Here's hoping they are never dethroned.

Ty Cobb at Last Pulls a Real "Bone"

It is possible for Ty Cobb to pull a bone. A lot of fans did not believe it was, but Ty pulled one at Cleveland on Sunday and it lost the game. The field was roped off with a ground rule in force limiting drives into the crowd to two bases. The score was tied going into the last half of the ninth; two men were out, with O'Neil on first and Granev at the bat.

Granev hit a line drive between Cobb and Veach. The former was playing deep and cut across the field to head the ball off. Just as the ball was about to roll under the ropes, Cobb made a dive for it and picked it up. He returned it to the infield, but O'Neil had scored the winning run, while Granev was perched on third. If Cobb had permitted the ball to roll into the crowd, the hit would have been only a double and O'Neil would have been compelled to stop at third. It is not often the Georgia Peach pulls a "bone" and he was very much puffed at himself, according to Cleveland scribes.

Another Home-run King Discovered

Pacific Coast fans hail Louis Guisto, a youngster from St. Mary's College, as the greatest long distance hitter in the land. Guisto graduated from St. Mary's last June and joined Portland this spring. In Portland's first 12 games, Guisto made seven home runs, two of the drives being made in the afternoon game last Sunday, and both cleared a fence in San Francisco which not even Ping Bodie has reached.

In the Pacific Coast League morning and afternoon games are played every Sunday, and in the morning game Guisto also had a homer, making it three in one day. Guisto is a first baseman and is following a long line of stars who jumped from St. Mary's to major league fame. The list includes Harry Hooper, Hal Chase, Harry Krause, Eddie Burns, Fred Snodgrass, "Dutch" Leonard, Tillie Shaefer, Dick Egan, Bill Nealon and Helme Helmuth and numerous others.

Durborow Training for Virginia Capes Swim

Charles Durborow, Philadelphia's famous long-distance swimmer, has started training for several long distance swims he will attempt this summer, the most important of which will be his effort to cross the Virginia Capes on June 24. In his first practice swim for speed and wind, Durborow crossed the Delaware from Holmesburg, Pa., to Riverton, N. J., in 31 minutes.

He plans to make this trip daily for two weeks and then will increase the distance gradually until he makes his attempt to cross the Virginia Capes. Weather conditions will not handicap Durborow in his training, as the bank clerk has not missed a day in the water since January 1 and, barring illness, will not miss a day during the year.

Hal Chase won another game for the Reds yesterday. With the score a tie and nobody out in the tenth inning, Chase hit to the centre field fence for a home run. If this wonderful player can control his temper he may completely upset the National League dope.

Cobb has not struck his gait yet and Speaker, Jackson and Collins are getting off to a big lead on Ty. Bob Veach is hitting at such a terrific clip that Ty's slump has not hurt the Tigers much to date. The Georgian is due to start any day, and when he does he will make up for lost time.

Washington's victory over the Red Sox in Boston yesterday was the first victory for the Senators over Carrigan's team at Fenway Park since 1914. Eleven games were played between the two teams at Fenway Park last season, with the Red Sox on the winning end in all.

Cravath has found his batting eye at last. The Philly slugger made his first clean hit of the season in the second inning and added another in the eighth. Both were smoking line drives. Prior to yesterday, Cravath's slugging was limited to one infield scratch. Like Tyus, Cravath probably will proceed to make up for lost time.

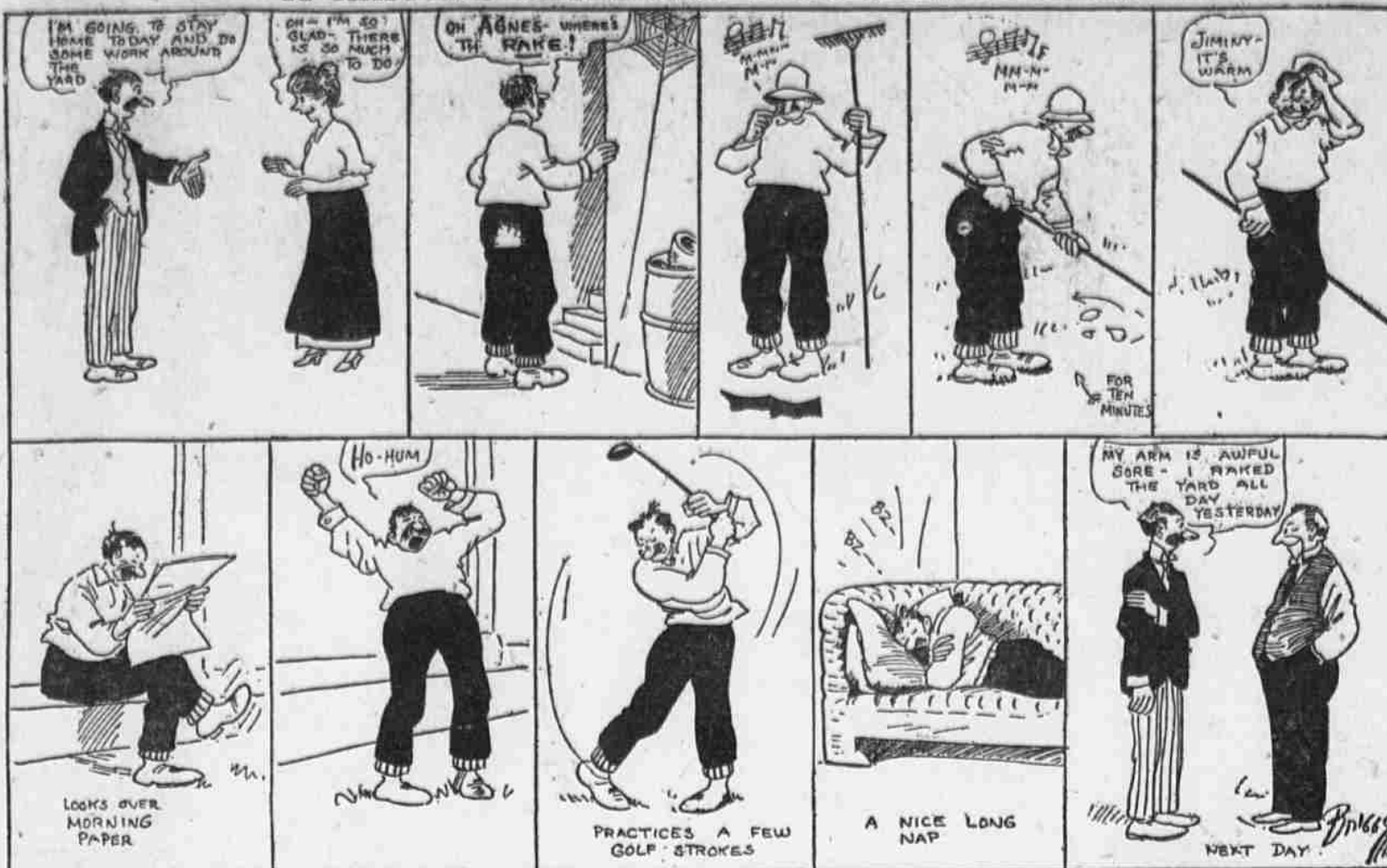
A fan wants to know why the New York Nationals are still called Giants. He says that there was some reason for calling the famous old team, with Van Haltrou, Tiernan, Ruse, etc., in the line-up, but wants to know how Kauff, Burns, Harden, Doyle, Doot and two or three others can be called as Giants. When one stops to think about it, the majority of names bestowed on ball teams mean nothing, but they stick.

President Dunn, one of the new owners of the Cleveland Indians, says that he has taken steps to prevent congestion about the gates in the future. If the Indians do not play better ball than they have for two seasons, Mr. Dunn will not find it necessary to make arrangements to take care of the overflow. The fans came out to see Tris Speaker make his debut. That celebration is over and now nothing but high-class ball can attract the fans to the park.

Base Men Qualify for Big Meet
The Eastern Pennsylvania athletic championship of the Amateur Athletic Union of America, and last night of the season's gymnasium, the winners of which are to represent the team in the national championship to be held in New York City, the latter part of next week, the following men qualified: Tris Speaker, Eddie Burns, Fred Snodgrass, "Dutch" Leonard, Tillie Shaefer, Dick Egan, Bill Nealon and Helme Helmuth and numerous others.

Athletic Association Type Union
The Type A. A. composed of the best baseball players employed on the newspapers and in the commercial printing plants of the city, and which will represent Philadelphia at the "Coke Priory" National Baseball Tournament at Indianapolis, August 6-12, would like to book games for Saturdays and Sundays until July 29 with first-class teams making a fair guarantee, in New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania. P. Huppel, manager, 4088 North 22nd.

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GRAMMAR AND PAROCHIAL TEAMS DRAWN FOR RELAYS

Schoolboys Hold Try-outs for Big Meet on Franklin Field

Franklin Field is a very busy place this week, as besides the Pennsylvania track and baseball men, there are many schoolboys having their try-outs for the relay carnival, which takes place next week.

There is a wonderful lot of interest among the grammar school boys of this city in the carnival. Nearly 50 grammar schools will have teams and they fight for the honors in their various classes just as intensely as if they were running for American championships.

Athletics in the parochial schools are just beginning so that but four of these schools will have teams. The drawings for the various events are as follows:

Grammar School Championship of Philadelphia—1. Pedagogical Practice; 2. Marshall; 3. Belmont; 4. Dunlap; 5. Southwark; 6. Blaine; 7. McCall; 8. Drexel.
Grammar School Classes—Class 1: 1. Newton; 2. Cleveland; 3. Barry; 4. Willard; 5. Hackett; 6. McIntyre; 7. Philadelphia Trades; 8. Class 2-1; 1. Leverage; 2. Germantown; 3. Sheridan; 4. Filler; 5. Taylor; 6. Potter; 7. Olney; 8. Fatur.
Class 3-1: 1. Durham; 2. William C. Jacobs; 3. Hill; 4. Birney; 5. Fox Chase; 6. Westborough; 7. Lawnton; 8. Ellwood; 9. Gilbert; 10. Carlin.
Class 4-1: 1. Campbell; 2. Sharrowood; 3. Hunter; 4. Widener; 5. Mt. Vernon; 6. Meade; 7. Whittier; 8. Kearney.
Class 5-1: 1. William Welsh-Calhoun; 2. Ringgold; 3. Fair; 4. Rendon; 5. Reynolds; 6. Washington; 7. Robt. Morris; 8. McClure; 9. Class 6-1: 1. Longfellow; 2. Monmouth; 3. McKean; 4. Martin; 5. Diston; 6. Mt. Airy; 7. Brimley; 8. Merton; 9. Lea; 10. Brooks; 11. Huxy; 12. Heston; 13. Comer; 14. Edwin M. Stanton; 15. Harry Lee.
Class 6-2: 1. George; 2. Overbrook; 3. North-east; 4. Hawthorne; 5. Logan; 6. Benson; 7. Hancock; 8. Fox.
Philadelphia Parochial Championship—1. Our Mother of Sorrows; 2. Immaculate Conception; 3. Our Lady of Victory; 4. St. James; 5. St. Elizabeth's; 6. St. Columba's; 7. Visitation; 8. St. Stephen's.

How They Ran Yesterday

AT HAVRE DE GRACE

First race—Ruth Kirkland, \$18.70, \$3.50, \$4; Greenleaf, \$1.10, \$3.10; Shrop-ner, \$1.10, \$3.10.
Second race—Handrunning, \$28.90, \$15.50, \$5.50; Cubon, \$6.50, \$3.80; Ide Michael, \$3.20.
Third race—A. N. Akh, \$64.60, \$42.30, \$11.30; Fair Helen, \$8.80, \$4.80; Sir Ed-ward, \$4.30.
Fourth race—Chemung, \$4.50, \$2.70, \$1.50; Nonesuch, \$3.30, \$1.50; Rhymer, \$1.50; Brighouse, \$15.40, \$8.60, \$4.10, \$10.50.
Sixth race—Marjorie A., \$7.00, \$4.20, \$3.40; Preston Lynn, \$3.10, \$2.80; De-duction, \$3.30.
Seventh race—Ida Claire, \$3.90, \$3.30, \$2.60; Mr. Mack, \$6.90, \$5.10; Miss Waters, \$3.90.

Aggies First for Shoot Cup

WASHINGTON, April 19.—An aggregate score of 12,998 out of a possible 13,000 was made by the Michigan Agricultural College rifle team in the 13 weeks' intercollegiate matches just concluded under the auspices of the National Rifle Association. The Wash-ington State College team, which finished in second place, had an aggregate score of 12,991, and Norwich University was third with 12,986. Forty teams competed, each of the 10 mem-bers of each team shooting 50 shots a week at 50 feet with a .22-calibre rifle.

RACES TODAY AT HAVRE DE GRACE

St. Races Daily including a Steeplechase, Special Training, 3 p. m., R. leave Broad St. 4 p. m., 1st Bull, 12:30 p. m., B. & O. leave 84th & Chestnut Sts., 12:45 p. m.
Admission, Grandstand and Paddock, \$1.50. Ladies, \$1.00.
First Race at 2:30 p. m.

CENTRAL OPENS WITH VICTORY IN BIG-LEAGUE

"Bill" Cravis, Tennis Cap-tain, Pitches Crimson and Gold to Advantage

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

The Interscholastic League baseball teams got away to a fairly good start in their race for the Princeton cup yester-day afternoon, with the following re-sults.

Central High, 15; Northeast High, 12.
West Philadelphia, 11; South Philadel-phia, 2.

Only two of the four games were played, due probably to the fact that the high school students are not attending classes, the prolonged Easter vacation keeping the students away from the schools. The Franklin High-Philadelphia Trades School was not played, and the German-town High-Catholic High was also called off, as the players did not know where to report for this match.

South Philadelphia High went down to an unexpected defeat in the game with West Philadelphia. Scheer, the Southern twirler, who was expected to go on the mound for the Red and Black, failed to show up for the game. West Philadelphia took a commanding lead right at the start and Southern was forced to admit defeat in the initial contest.



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