# CLEVELAND INDIANS AMAZED AT ATTACK AND FIGHTING SPIRIT OF MACK'S HUSTLING TEAT

# ELMER MYERS WON SIXTH STRAIGHT VICTORY BECAUSE HE HAD NECESSARY NERVE

### Mack's Sensational Youngster Convinces Large Crowd That He Has Most Important Pitching Asset—Athletics Again Show Punch

THE ability to control an assortment of curves and a cunning brain are generconsidered the two most important assets a pitcher must have to become a star, but there is one thing more essential than either, and that is gameness, cause without the latter the curves and brain are worthless. Elmer Myers proved to the satisfaction of the fans and his fellow players that he had the curves and the brain soon after he started on his winning way, but until yesterday he and not proved that he had the gameness necessary for him to become a great

In the first game of the series between the Athletics and Cleveland yesterday Myers proved himself as game as the famous Bender, who often has been referred to as the nerviest man who ever tossed a ball from the pitching mound at Shibe Park. While pitching to Turner in the first inning one of Schang's returns struck the dirt in front of the pitcher's box and rolled to Lajole at second base.

Larry was very much preved at the manner in which Myers had grooved a fast ball for Graney, who dropped the ball into the bleachers for a home run, and the veteran hurled the ball savagely to the youngster, with instructions to wake up. yers did not expect the ball to be thrown so hard, and as a result it nipped him on the end of the third finger of his pitching hand, making a nasty gash. The ingster did not complain, but pitched to Turner, who walked, and Speaker, who tripled, with blood spurting from the cut.

One of the Mack infielders noticed Myers' condition, and time was called while Myers had the injured finger bound with tape. As every ball pitched is steered with the third finger, and as it is this digit which puts the "work" on the ball, Myers was working under a terrific handicap. In the second inning the Indians pounded out two more runs, and it looked as if the youngster was due for a sound

Mack Tested Myers' Nerve

WHEN he returned to the bench at the end of the inning Wyckoff was warming up, and Myers expected to be taken out of the game. But Manager Mack decided to test the youngster's nerve. He told him to take his turn at bat and then go back to the mound. Every ball Myers threw pained him, but he gritted his teeth and stuck to the task. He grew better as the game progressed, carelessness being responsible for the last two runs made by the Indians, and he was rewarded with his sixth consecutive victory.

It was a game exhibition and proved conclusively that Myers has the third and most important asset which goes toward making great pitchers. He was batted harder than at any other time this season, but that probably would have been the case even if he had not been injured, as he did not have as much "stuff" when the game started as he has shown in his other games. It was simply his off day, and he can thank his team mates for pulling the victory out for him.

Once again the Mackmen demonstrated that they have a "punch" which is soing to make them a dangerous opponent for teams with pennant dreams. All the breaks of the game went to the Indians, but the Mackmen never gave up. Several times rallies were broken up by spectacular or lucky plays by the Indians just when it seemed as if the Athletics were about to tie the score or win the game, and the fans had just about given up hope when the winning rally was staged.

The Newly Developed Punch Won the Game

CLEVELAND was leading by two runs when the Mackmen went to bat in the eighth inning, and Bagby seemed to be growing stronger. But the Athletics refused to give up. Lajole was the first man up, and he drew a pass. Jimmy Walsh, whose hitting was one of the features, lined a single to centre, and Pick then laid down a bunt with the intention of sacrificing Lajoic and Walsh into a position where the score could be tied with a hit. Bagby became confused and made a poor throw to Gandil, filling the bases.

Stellbauer, who had replaced Rube Oldring, sent a sacrifice fly to Speaker, scoring Lajole. This brought Myers up. The young hurler had laced out two clean hits, and the fans expected him to fan or hit into a double play, but Myers planmed the ball down the right-field line for a double, tying the score and sending Pick to third.

It was up to Witt to win the game. The brilliant little shortstop had made one hit and was twice robbed of safeties by sensational plays on the part of Wambsganss, and the crowd begged him to come through with another. Witt onded with a drive past Wambsganss, scoring Pick and Myers. By this time the Cleveland team was badly rattled, while the crowd was howling mad. Schang drew a pass and Strunk singled. Witt scored on Strunk's single, and Schang, who had taken third on the throw to the plate, ran home while Howard held the ball in his hand.

# Crowd Stirred by Sensational Finish

T WAS just as well that Witt and Schang tallied the two extra runs, as Bob Roth batted for Smith in the ninth and lined a home run into the left-field bleachers with Speaker on first, but it is likely that Myers would have worked harder if the Mackmen had had only a two-run margin instead of four.

There was a large crowd present, many fans being attracted to the park by advertised duel between Coumbe, the young southpaw of the Ir pad not lost a game, and Myers, Mack's sensational recruit, who had won five successive games. As stated before, Myers was batted hard, but he weathered the storm, while Coumbe was driven from the mound in one inning. Jimmy Walsh's home-run drive into the left-field bleachers with two men on bases convincing Manager Fohl that it was not the southpaw's day. Fortunately for Coumbe. he is not credited with the defeat, as the Indians went into the lead with Bagby on the mound.

Few of the fans expected the slugging match which resulted, but they were rewarded with a remarkable game. There was plenty of clean, free hitting and the most sensational fielding of the season. The work of Witt and Wambsganss at short was wonderful. Wambsganss killed two hits for Witt with sensational catches of sizzling drives, while Witt made one-handed stops over second on Gandil and Speaker which amazed the crowd.

Witt had a spectacular day in all departments. He had only five chances in the field, but three of them were drives which would have got away from him ten days ago. At bat he was credited with two hits out of five trips to the plate, but with any luck at all he would have had three singles and a triple, as Wambsganss' two plays robbed him of a single and a triple.

# Phils Continue at Dizzy Clip

THE Phillies handed the Cubs another jolt and are now less than half a game behind Brooklyn. The sensational spurt of the Phils after the poor start on the road has convinced the fans that Moran's team is just as strong as, if not stronger than, it was this time a year ago. In beating Hendrix the Phils disposed of the most feared pitcher on Tinker's staff, and now hope to make a clean sweep of

Claude Cooper was again an important factor in the Phillies' victory, and it begins to look as if either Paskert or Whitted will have a hard time keeping the former Federal Leaguer out of the regular line-up. With Cravath slugging the ball again and Cooper filling in so well, the outfield will not worry Moran, for the present, at least.

# Classy Field of Sprinters in Intercollegiates

AFTER gazing over the entry lists for the Intercollegiate track meet, to be held in Boston next Friday and Saturday, we feel safe in predicting one of the most exciting track carnivals in history. Champions from coast to coast will compete in the numerous events, and from start to finish there should be some close competition. Beginning with the 100-yard dash, which brings together Smith, of Michigan; Teschner, of Harvard, and Treadway, of Yale, to say nothing of Murray and other stars from California, it looks as if the record will be equaled, if not bettered. The same men will run in the 220-yard dash, and this, too, should be

When Wilson, of Stanford, breezed the mile in 4 minutes and 19 seconds in the Michigan meet last Saturday, he upset the dope in that event. Overton, of Yale, was the favorite, with Windnagle a close second, but now the order must be changed. Wilson's time is the best made this year, and if he does not succumb to climatic conditions, he should repeat on Saturday. Ted Meredith will endeavor to win both the quarter and half mile runs, and judging by the form displayed in meets thus far he should come through in fine style.

The hurdles and field events will bring out a flock of stars, with the Western athletes standing a good chance to capture many of the places.

Hughey Jennings, manager of the Detroit Tigers, admits that his team is wing down. He has benched the veteran Sam Crawford, and says that this us slugger will not be a regular again unless George Burns strikes a batting up. In the future Crawford will be a pinch hitter and utility first baseman. Thus passes from the ranks of regulars one of the greatest sluggers the game has gver known. Who will be next?





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# FOUR MEN HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN MILE RUN AT BIG MEET, SAYS TED MEREDITH

Result a Toss-up When Overton, Wilson, Windnagle and Carroll Compete on Sat-

#### By TED MEREDITH

When Wilson, of Leland-Stanford, stepped off the train from San Francisco and lonned his running suit to run the mile in the dual race between Michigan and Stanford he did more than any one expected of him. First he beat Carroll, of Michigan, who was rated one of the best milers in the East: second he ran one of the fastest miles of the season, 4:19, which is faster than Windnagle or Overton has ever shown. and lastly he upset all the dope on the inter-

When the call for the mile is given next Saturday, the classiest field of the day will step up ready for the pistol to sound. We have had faster men go to the post for the intercollegiate mile a few times, but very

When Jones, Paul and Taylor were running they outclassed these men as milers, but there were never more than two of them at once, and even then you could pick the winner.

#### Quartet of Speeders

This year you will see four fast men entered and not one can feel sure of where he will finish. Windnagle, of Cor-nell: Overton, of Yale; Carroll of Michigan, and Wilson, of Stanford, are a quartet of great runners and a great mile will be witnessed when they start to run.

Many will expect a fast mile and this s natural, but a slow one is just as apt o decide the race as not. I say this because when you get a bunch such as this together in a race which means so much they are all a bit backward in setting the ace and the result is a slow first part, with the last quarter a heart-breaker. Most runners would rather be back a couple of yards watching his opponent, and

should because the pace was slow at the

I say this is liable to happen in this mile and I would feel sure of it if any one but Overton were running. Overton Sets Own Pace

still have a good finish. He proved his speed in the half, when he ran the fast one here in the Cornell-Penn dual race. I do not know much about Wilson's style, but I don't think he can run much faster than he did in Ann Arbor on Saturday. Carroll is a good man, however, and when Wilson beat him he became eligible for the first class for milers.

Michigan will fight it out with Harvard and Princeton for positions in the total of

Harvard will depend on Tischner in the sprints, Wilcox in the quarter, Bingham in the half. Haydock in the pole vault and Johnstone in the high jump for its points Pennypacker and Biddle might be able to score in the quarter or half, but I don't

think they are good enough.

Tischner will do Harvard's heavy scoring. On paper he is as good as Smith in the sprints, but I think he will have to be contact with two second places. Smith is too tent with two second places. Smith is too strong for him, and will stand the heats better.

Michigan proved stronger than I believed them to be. Of course, they had their whole squad to put against the Pacific Coast men, which was a big advantage.

The Ann Arbor team looks stronger this year than their team of last year. Captain Smith again will be good for two sprint firsts, and O'Brien, when he beat Murray proved himself a good sprinter. Murray has done 101-5 several times, so O'Brien must be going just a slight bit faster than 101-5 seconds.

Cross is a sure place in the shot-put. He did 45 feet 414 inches on Saturday, Simmons did 5 feet 11 inches in the high jump and Ufer and Murphy are both good

milers.

Wilcox is a sure second in the quarter, Wilcox is a sure second in the quarter, and Bingham should place well up in the half. Johnstone is up against a stiff proposition in the high jump.

He will have in Richards, Oler, Mahie, Lachmund and Nichols a field who have been over 6 feet 4 inches. Johnstone has done 6 feet 3 inches, but he is not consistent over 6 feet.

Handock in the pole yault has done 12

Haydock in the pole vault has done 12 feet 6 inches this year, but he tied with Buck and Nagel, of Yale, when he did this

height. Princeton Not Dangerous

Princeton will fare worse this year than with them all doing this it makes a peculiarly and cautiously run race.

This was true of the 1500 meters in Stockholm, when Jones, Kiviat and Tabor ran easily two seconds slower than they cause the race was given at the page. they did last, I believe. They had a good dual-meet team, but most of their men hardly are good enough for intercollegiate places. Moore and Richardson both will

Crawford is a good man in the low hur-dles, but has a fast field to compete against. The Tigers also have as possibilities Gen-nert in the hammer. Sinclair in the shot and Davy in the high jump.

The California team now is in Cambridge Overton is a fellow who does not care for any one else where he is racing. He goes out and sets his pace regardless of what the other fellow can or will do, and this is about what he will do on Saturday. If Overton does, Windnagle is my favor-

# AMATEUR BASEBALL NOTES

Msy 27 and June 24 are open dates on the schedule of the Crane A. A., and teams wishing games on those dates should communicate with Frank Quinn, 908 Jackson street, or phone Park 960.

Court Manayunk, No. 52, F. of A., a semi-professional team, would like to arrange games with first-class home teams for May 26, May 30 and June 3. Address Herman Herbert, 4457 Main street, or phone Manayunk 319.

The Postal Telegraph A. A. would like to arranse games with home teams having open dates in May. Address J. H. Lieberman, Finance Building.

The West Spruce A. C. is open to meet all first-class home teams in and out of the city. For games address James Neville, 6165 Pine street, or phone Belmont 3117.

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Southwestern A. C. has a fast semi-profes sional team on the field this year and would like to hear from such teams as Corley C. C., Sham-nock and St. Andrew A. A. Address W. Bat-erby, 1265 South 29th street.

Madeana C. C. would like to arrange games with all 18-20-year-old teams in or out of the city for Decoration Day, all of Juss and July 4. Address Frank Massey, 812 South 10th street.

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with any 11-12-year-old teams having grounds Address Joseph Hoffman, 1748 North 3d street The Second Street Mission team has May 27 and May 30 open. For games communicate with Charles Wilcock, 2838 North 3d street, or phone Kensington 4711 W.

The Reed A. C. wants to hear from 18-year-old teams wishing to play Sunday morning games. Address H. Miller, 1340 South Fairhill street.

The Oakland F. C. would like to hear from first-class 18-20-year-old home teams wishing to arrange Sunday sames. Write Vincent W. Hirst, 300 East Price street.

The Crane A. A. has May 27 and June 24 open. First-class teams desiring those dates should write Frank Quinn, 908 Jackson street.

The Jewish Foster Home would like to book Sunday games at home with any 16-18-year-old teams. For games address M. L. Bagdan, 530 North Randolph street.

The Manayunk Professionals have May 27, May 30 and June 3 open and would like to hear from first-class teams destring those dates. Write John Calhoun, 225 Krams street, or phone Manayunk 319.

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