

# FORMER PHILLY MANAGER HAS BEEN GREAT HELP TO M'GRAW IN DEVELOPING PITCHERS

## CHARLEY DOOIN'S COACHING WAS LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR WINNING STREAK OF NEW YORK

### Former Philly Manager Brought Supposedly Weak Pitching Staff Back to Form—Mackmen Start Long Tourney

CHARLEY DOOIN managed the Phillies for five years and could not win a pennant because his pitching staff fell down each season. In 1911 and 1913 the Phillies were admittedly the strongest team in the National League and the pitching staff was considered the best in the senior league, but the Phils crumbled in midseason and lost the pennant. It has been claimed that Dooin did not handle the pitching staff properly and that he killed off Alexander the Great and Tom Seaton in midseason, yet this same Dooin has been able to take the poorest looking pitching staff in the country and develop it in a wonderful manner.

Scribes have been handing bouquets to Manager McGraw for the wonderful record made by the Giants on the Western trip. They have used up columns of space telling about McGraw's feat of whipping the wobbling pitching staff into shape, but the credit really belongs to Dooin, in whose hands the staff was placed shortly after the season opened.

There never was any question about the strength of the Giants, since Kauff proved himself a wonderful ball player, but it looked like a 50-to-1 shot that the miserable pitching would force McGraw's team to a second division position. McGraw realized the weakness of his staff, and when Mathewson failed to bring the pitchers around—coaching being Matty's main duty last season—the staff was placed in Dooin's hands.

McGraw took a make-or-break chance with Dooin, as he also felt that the sore-topped catcher had wrecked the Philly staff in 1913. He knew, however, that it was Dooin who was largely responsible for the sensational rise of Alexander the Great, Tom Seaton and Eppa Rixey. No doubt Moran's coaching had a great deal to do with the great success these youngsters had, but Dooin really deserves the lion's share of the credit.

Dooin Was Great Help to Alexander  
IT WAS Moran who handled Alexander on the barnstorming trip North in 1911 and first recognized his possibilities, and it was Dooin who gave him his chance; who caught him, and developed him. Former President Horace Fogel has since given Moran the credit for the development of Alexander—and taken a large share of it himself—but we were at the training camp in Birmingham in the spring of 1911 and also took two trips around the circuit with the Phillies, and feel sure that Dooin has never been given the credit he deserved.

There is little doubt that Dooin handled the hurlers in a questionable manner, but he had many things to contend with that the fans have never been told about. If there is any better judge of a pitcher in the country than Dooin, we do not know him. Moran, Mack, Fred Mitchell and Clark Griffith are on a par with the former Philly leader, but none are any better in this respect.

Dooin's greatest fault here was that he was too ho' headed and, like Herzog, he lost sight of the fact that the pennant race was a six-month battle instead of a seven-game series. The Giants owe their success to Charley Dooin's wonderful work with the pitchers. McGraw had a staff with great natural ability, but he had failed to get Perritt, Benton and Stroud going properly until he placed the twirlers in Dooin's hands.

With Dooin to coach and McGraw's excellent judgment in making switches and nursing hurlers who are not able to stand the grind, the Giants probably will have excellent pitching for the rest of the season. While he failed here as a manager, the fans do not want to forget Dooin in passing out praise to the New Yorkers for the remarkable reversal of form.

**Mack Says Team Is at Cross-roads**  
PRIOR to leaving for Washington this morning, Manager Mack said that the present trip, which is not concluded until June 20, will make or break the Athletics for the season. Mack also says that his team has done much better than he thought it would at this time of the year, and, honestly believing that he has a slight chance for the pennant, will handle the team accordingly.

It was Mack's intention to place almost an entire team of recruits on the field after the return from the West, but the crafty leader declares that he will abandon this idea if the team gets an even break or better in the West. An even break in the West, with one outfielder and infielder reporting in June placed in the game as soon as they arrive, will give the Athletics a pennant chance, according to Mack's reasoning.

It depends entirely upon whether Nabors, Sheehan or Crowell can strike a winning stride to help out Bush and Myers, as Mack has about given up hope of Wyckoff showing his 1915 form. Conroy says Wyckoff had a world of "stuff" yesterday—though it did not look that way from the stand—but that he cannot depend upon the Bucknell lad. He confesses that the complete failure of Wyckoff and Bressler was the greatest disappointment he has experienced in his entire career, as he felt certain both men would star this season.

Four college pitchers are due to report in June. One of them is a southpaw, who is now ripe for regular duty and who will win at least 50 per cent. of his games, according to Mack, while the other three are right-handers. Who the southpaw is a mystery, but the right-handers probably are Wescott, Whitaker and Krepps. The southpaw evidently does not play with an Eastern college, as there is not a left-hander in this section of the country who has shown form worthy of a major league trial.

**Well Pleased With What Has Been Done**  
"I AM GREATLY pleased with what the boys showed on the home stand," said Mack. "No team outplayed us, and had it not been for bad breaks and a few mistakes, due to inexperience, I think we would be above the five hundred mark now. This trip means a great deal to me. We are either going to be a pennant possibility or a rank outsider, according to how the team looks to me. If we get a good break, I will cast aside my original plan of working with the recruits; whereas, if we are going bad I will experiment on a more elaborate scale."

"I feel certain that I have the men in tow who will bring another American League pennant here within a year or two," he continued, "and am not worrying, although I naturally want to make a fight this season, if possible. I may even allow the infield to go through the season as it is at the present time, but one of the infielders coming (meaning Lawry, of Maine) may be placed in the outfield, as I want him to get plenty of work."

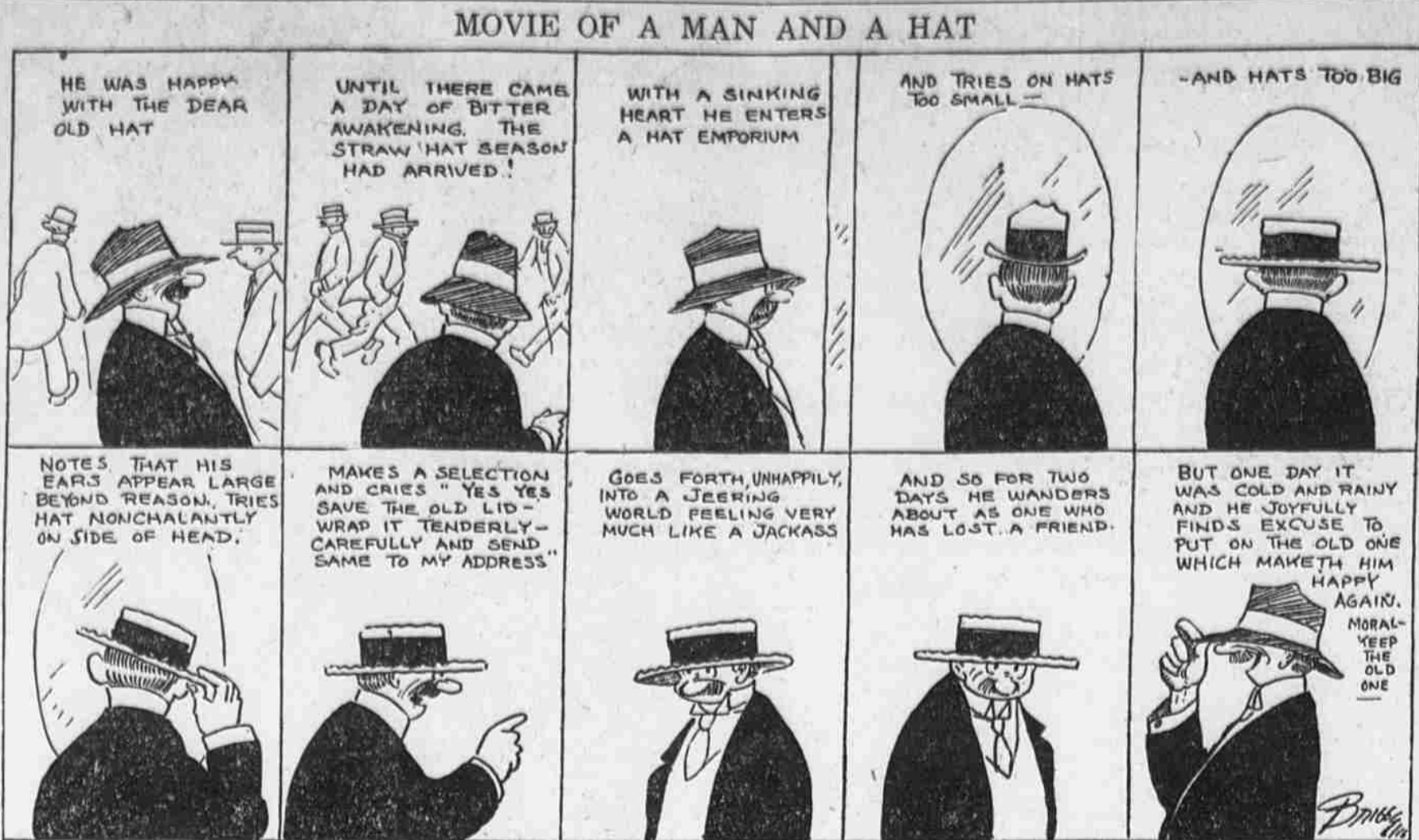
"I have four pitchers coming who look like mighty good prospects. When I say that I do not mean men I will have to school for two or three years, but youngsters who are ready right now and who will have learned enough by the end of the season to send them forward with a rush next spring. Of course, I must allow for one or two of them falling down, because you never know a pitcher until you know just what he has in his head. If they have not the right stuff in the head, I won't bother with them. I am through fooling with that type. We may fool a lot of people on this trip. I will be pleased if we do; but I will not be disappointed if we fail, as I have gone further than I expected."

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## THE DARK HORSE OF THE INTERCLUB TENNIS LEAGUE

### What Can Germantown Cricket Club Do With a New Team?

By WILLIAM T. TILDEN, 2D  
The "x" or unknown quantity of the Interclub League this season is Germantown Cricket Club. This season will see many new faces on the Manheim team, for this year has seen some important changes at this club. First, Herbert M. Tilden, one of the best doubles players Philadelphia ever has known and for 10 years a member of the Manheim team, passed away last fall. This means a gap in the ranks no one can quite fill. Then his younger brother, William T. Tilden, 2d, who played "No. 1" at Manheim for several seasons, joined Germantown and will play for them in the league matches. Frank White, H. M. Tilden's doubles partner, is not playing much this season, thus removing half the team.

Stanley Pearson, the national squash champion and one of the best tennis players in the city, will play "1." Watch him. Pearson is one of the hardest men to beat that ever stopped on a tennis court, as he never knows when he is beaten and fights until the point is over, pulling many matches out of the fire after they seemingly are lost.

The doubles are a problem which probably will be solved by the Jones brothers. This team may spring a surprise on the others in the competition, but on paper it looks to need more "punch."

**Referee Gets Punch**  
NEW YORK, May 26.—Billy Bennett, who has been referee in today's one of the new series of the New York fight fans. His seconds thought he was getting a surprise in the sixth round of a ten-round mill with Young Riley and tossed the referee. Billy was so mad at their stopping the fight that as they came through the ropes to get him he whaled the boys out of them. The referee got a clip on the chin. The fans cheered him to the echo.

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## Evening Ledger Decisions of Ring Bouts Last Night

**BROADWAY A. C.**—Johnny Cashill defeated Joe O'Neil, Johnny McLaughlin drew with Frankie Powell in the third round, the latter was disqualified by referee. Doctor Cutch. Andy Rivers beat Felix Howell in the second, Johnny Adams won from Young Auranti.

**PENNSYLVANIA**—Charles White knocked out Milburn Saylor in the first.

**NEW YORK**—Young Riley beat Billy Bennett in the sixth.

**PROVIDENCE**—Frank Carbone stopped Cleveland—Phil Brock shaded Cal DeLoe.

**JOHNNY CASHILL BEATS JOE O'NEIL AT BROADWAY**  
St. Paul Youngster Proves Himself to Be Clever Fighter

Johnny Cashill, a blond-haired, ruddy-checked youngster, of St. Paul, who apparently has been endowed with unusual boxing ability, was so far ahead of Joe O'Neil at the finish of the final bout at the Broadway Athletic Club last night that an explorer would have been needed to find the North Penn boy. To give O'Neil credit, however, he tried hard at times, and in the third period he unburdened himself of a wild right swing, which, catching Cashill flush on the jaw, sent the Westerner to one knee.

Johnny McLaughlin and Tommy Livingston boxed six hard, interesting rounds, at the close of which honors were even. Both the youngsters kept up a lively clip during the bout, with McLaughlin doing most of the forcing. Livingston played the waiting game.

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## SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

Kensington fans are without a boxing club. Law Bailey has closed the doors of the Non-metropolitan Athletic Club. Bouts are to be staged at an open-air club in the mill district shortly. It is rumored.

While the usual amateur bouts are scheduled at the Gaiety, the Lincoln and Quaker City Clubs will hold weekly shows tonight.

Young Erbe, the Gray's Ferry boxer, who has been using the mittens since 1900, will try conclusions with a younger opponent in Billy Walters at the Lincoln. "Young Erbe, Kneecapped Out" is a headline local fans have been expecting to see for some time. It is hoped to fool them again.

North Penn fight followers will see their favorite, Sel O'Donnell, in competition with Ren Carlin, said to be a tough man from the coal regions, when they clash in the star scrap at the Quaker City. O'Donnell has been boxing well this season.

Tommy Jamison, a southpaw with a knock-out wallop, will show in the semi at the Lincoln, opposed by Young Jimmy O'Brien. In the other numbers, Harry Brenner, meets Willie Fitzgerald, Tommy Burke tackles Joe Jackson and Young Artie opens the show with Joe Esau.

Preliminary bouts at the Quaker City follow: Whitely Landon vs. Gopple Walsh, Tommy Hart vs. Jimmy McAndrews, Frankie Williams vs. John Kelly and Willie Nelson vs. Oble O'Brien. A battle royal also is scheduled.

Southpaw vs. southpaw will be the feature at the Young Jack Toland-Harry Smith scrap in one of the preliminaries to the Law Tender, Al Shuster mix at the Olympia Monday night. Toland looks like one of the most promising boys in Philadelphia.

Both Adam Ryan and Barney Ford will stage bouts at the Ryan and Model Clubs, respectively, Tuesday night. The Wolf brothers—Fred and Morris—are on the Ryan program. The former will appear in the wind-up with Tommy Jamison, while Morris will tackle Mike Russell in the third number. Joe Allison and Spike McFadden, heavyweights, meet in the Model final.

Negotiations are on for a match between Joe Phillips, of North Penn, and Jake Abel, of Chattanooga, in the latter's home town. If the bout is arranged the heavyweights will meet in an eight-round bout June 15.

**Fighter Admits Defeat!**  
CINCINNATI, May 26.—"White has it on me. He can lick me every time I start against him. So I'll not fight him again," said Milburn Saylor, Indianapolis lightweight, today following his quick knockout at the hands of Charley White, Chicago, last night. White finished Saylor off in two minutes.

**Amateur Baseball**  
The Sterling Athletic Club has May 27, from 2 and June 10 open and would like to hear from first-class teams. For games write to Harry Ham, 5415 Addison street, or phone 194 W. 21st street.  
The Veper Athletic Association, a strong 14-15 year old team, wants games. Write M. Schaefer, 1100 W. 21st street.  
The Arthur H. Thomas Company side on Saturday open, and any team desiring this or other having grounds. Write Harry Ham, 5415 Addison street, or phone 194 W. 21st street.  
The Jepper Field Club, a fast semi-professional team, has no games scheduled for June 20, June 21 and July 1. Teams desiring to play games should phone James Clark, Kensington, 6100.  
Any pitcher and catcher willing to play for the sport of the game should communicate with John Friel, manager of Jactelheim Central baseball team, 15th and Wallace streets.  
The Jepper Athletic Club would like to arrange Sunday games with any 14-15 year old team having grounds. Write Harry Ham, 5415 Addison street, or phone 194 W. 21st street.

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