

MORAN'S CHAMPIONS PREPARED FOR GRUELING SERIES WITH NATIONAL LEAGUE SENSATIONS

COMING OF GIANTS AWAITED WITH INTEREST BY FANS; WHO EXPECT PHILS TO STOP THEM

New York's Sensational Winning Streak Probably Will Be Broken in This City If McGraw's Team Survives Boston Series

SIX weeks ago the New York Giants made their first appearance of the season in this city. The fans were very much interested in McGraw's team because of the addition of Benny Kauff, Ed Roush, Bill Rariden and George Anderson, four stars of the Federal League.

The fans voted Kauff, Roush and Rariden stars, but Anderson did not look quite so good, while Fletcher at short appeared to be slowing down and McGraw was experimenting at third. It was easy to see that there was an unusual amount of natural strength in the New York line-up, but the pitching staff was in such poor shape that McGraw seemed to be in very much the same position as Hughie Jennings is in at Detroit, with a great scoring machine, but a miserable pitching staff.

As we predicted before the season opened the Giants were the mystery of the National League race. We stated that it would either be a rank failure or a league sensation, depending entirely upon the work of the Federal Leagueers. Mathewson's condition and whether the addition of Anderson would give McGraw a strong pitching staff. At the start of the season it looked very much as if none of the three doubtful points of the team would materialize, and 13 of the first 15 games played were lost.

Charley Dooin brought the pitching staff around in good shape, and tomorrow, when the Giants make their second appearance of the season in this city, the fans will see a team which is no longer a question mark, but one which is a serious menace to the Phillies in the pennant race. Sixteen straight victories, all won away from home, is the record McGraw's team boasts of today, and local fans hope that the streak is unbroken when the Giants appear here tomorrow. If such is the case, it is likely that all local attendance records for a morning and afternoon holiday double-header will be broken.

Giants Wasting Many Hits

The Phillies are not hitting as well as expected, and unless there is a sudden improvement the pitchers will carry a heavy burden, as the Giants have been hitting at a terrific clip. Considering the number of hits and total bases made by the Giants recently, comparatively few runs have been scored, which may mean that McGraw's team is very much like Brooklyn in the matter of wasting hits. Brooklyn has a much more powerful hitting team than the Phillies, yet Moran's men, by playing up-to-date ball and constantly switching the attack, can get more runs, all breaks and the opponents' pitching being even.

The detailed account of New York's recent games, taken from New York evening papers, shows three things which would lead one to believe that McGraw expects his team to slug its way to the pennant. They are the discarding of the sacrifice even for a squeeze play, the failure of base runners to take two bases on a single despite the numerous speedy and clever base runners, and the continual use of the hit and run play.

A system of this sort is effective when a team has so many powerful hitters providing the pitching holds up, but when it strikes a batting slump and the pitchers are going poorly, a combination playing this style of ball has a hard time getting results. This was proved with Detroit last season and with the Giants in the early part of the present campaign.

Meredith Penn's One Redemption

WHAT a barren year it has been for Pennsylvania on the track! If it had not been for the presence of the wonderful Meredith on the Red and Blue team at the intercollegiate and the followers of track athletics throughout the country would hardly have known that Pennsylvania competed. No credit is due any one but Meredith for his wonderful work. He ran and trained as he saw fit and proved himself the greatest middle distance runner of all time.

Meredith has not broken Maxey Lyon's world 440 dash record of 47 seconds flat for the straightway, but probably will if he ever gets a chance under good conditions, and there is not an expert in the country who believes that there ever was a middle-distance man who could defeat the Penn flyer. Long was a marvel, but he was pushed to his limit often and this resulted in the record breaking, whereas no one knows just how fast Meredith can travel.

His endurance is marvelous. No matter how many heats he may run, he always has the reserve force to shake off a challenging runner. If the field is slow, Meredith's time is generally slow, but as was the case when the Red and Blue flier shattered the world's half-mile record in the Penn-Cornell dual meet and the 440 mark (on a circular track) on Saturday, when the field is fast and is pushed Meredith is able to go just a trifle faster. Unless a new star suddenly blossoms forth, Meredith probably never will be forced to his limit.

Meredith, like Nate Cartmell, is a racer. He is always just a little stronger than his opponents and must be closely pressed to break records. After his freshman year, when he ran second to Shick, of Harvard, in the 100 and 220-yard dashes in the intercollegiate, Cartmell never lost another race, but as there was no one to push him he seldom ran the 100 better than 10 seconds flat. If the competition had been close he probably would have been a record holder. Meredith has not reached his limit, and let us hope that there will be some one to push him while he is in his prime, and he will not retire unbeaten before he has reached his limit, as was the case with Cartmell.

Harry Howell Discovers 'Sight' Players

CREDIT for the following is due Bill Hanna, of the New York Sun: "An interesting classification of baseball players is made by Harry Howell, the former pitcher and umpire. He strikes and expounds an idea both original and attractive. It arranges players in two classes, the ordinary kind and 'sight' players. The 'sight' players, he says, are scarce and are the real stars. Mathewson, Cobb, McGraw—who, Howell avers, knows more baseball than any other manager in the country—are or were 'sight' players. They are that because when a play is being made or is about to be made they can take one sweeping sight of the field and know just what to do. One comprehensive glance and they can turn their backs and know the next move to make. Cobb, we should say, is not only a 'sight' player, but a damnsight player."

It is said that Everett Smalley, Central High School's unusual young hurdler and all-around track star, has decided to enter Cornell instead of Penn, as reported some time ago. This youngster is the most consistent scholastic performer in the East and a lad with great possibilities. Some one should interest him in Penn before he gets away. There are too many good scholastic stars of this city going elsewhere to shine in the athletic world.

Miss Molla Bjurstedt, the women's national grass, clay court and indoor tennis champion, completely outclassed Mrs. Edward Raymond in the final round of the women's invitation tournament on the Pelham Country Club's courts on Saturday, and proved conclusively that Mrs. Rowland, who was looked upon as the coming champion, must improve greatly to take Miss Bjurstedt's title.

Fletcher Low, the former Dartmouth player who was sent to Springfield, of the Eastern League, by the Boston Braves in order that he might get some needed experience, recently made the longest hit ever seen in Bridgeport when he poled the ball over the left field fence with the bases full and won a game. Bridgeport is one of the oldest baseball cities in the United States and many sluggers in the old days played on the same field, yet only two balls have been hit over the fence. Danny Murphy, former captain of the Athletics, put a ball over this wall in 1902, just before he joined the Mackmen, while Koley Miller, a Philadelphian, turned the trick in 1907. Since that time no ball has even hit the fence.

One of the big features of a most important day in collegiate athletics was the wonderful come-back of Cornell's varsity crew, which defeated Yale and Princeton on Cayuga Lake on Saturday. The most remarkable part of the victory was that the crew which won for Cornell was classed as the third varsity eight until Thursday night, when Courtney announced the make-up of the crew which would row against the Elis and Tigers. Was it a well-planned surprise by Coach Courtney, who has been covering up his real crew while the "varsity" was coaching poor form?

Judging by the form Jack Nabors, Mack's giant young pitcher, showed against Washington in the second game of Saturday's double-header, he may prove the much-needed third hurler to help out Elmer Myers and Joe Bush. The Senators scored all their runs in one inning and never even threatened the plate during the remainder of the game. He gave the wonderful Johnson a great battle and showed enough to clinch a regular turn on the mound.

THEY HELPED PUT GIANTS BACK ON MAP



Benny Kauff, Christie Mathewson and Pol Perritt have materially assisted the New York Nationals in making their sensational spurt of 16 successive victories after having started the season with 13 defeats out of 15 starts. In the photograph, Perritt has just detached himself from the map and was snapped in the act of turning a somersault.

WAGNER, MATHEWSON, LAJOIE AND PLANK NEVER SEEM TO HEAR CALL OF OLD DOC TIME

"I've Called Them Often," Said the Old Boy With the Reaper, "but Perhaps They're Too Busy Making Good to Ever Hear Me"

By GRANTLAND RICE

The Time Defiers (Concerning the innate stubbornness of Mathewson, Wagner, Lajoie and Plank, Old Doc Time has broken, but they never seem to hear him; Old Doc Time has called them, but they never seem to hear; Perhaps they've been too busy making good to ever notice The Old Boy with the reaper as he followed, year by year.

"I've called them and I've called them," said the Old Doc, "through the seasons; I've called them in the sunlight and I've beckoned through the gloom; And if they do not answer me before the year is over, I've half a mind to let them stick until the crack of doom."

"I've called in others from the game and they have answered quickly, I've never missed my quarry yet from gutter into throne; But these have been so busy making good they've never heard me, And so I prefer to go away and leave them all alone."

How Many More For a ball club to drop 13 out of 15 and then for that same club to win 16 straight with the rust yet unbroken is something new, not only under the sun, but in a game that has about as much as all the other incidents of play. It is easily the most astounding reversal baseball has ever known, and baseball has known its share, but about as much as it will take.

The Giants now need only four more victories to tie the Providence record made in 1884. In that year, playing in the National League, Providence started August 7 and went through unbeaten to September 6. Its victims included New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Cleveland, Detroit and Buffalo.

The Giants, under such terrific headway, have a chance to beat this record. But it is a tough one, as they must run against Grover Cleveland Alexander on next Tuesday in Philadelphia. They will probably draw Rudolph Monday, and Alexander is one of Tuesday's affairs, a hard double hurdle to take. But a club that can come from a percentage of 13 to 16 straight is a club well beyond any reach of the eternal doze, however elastic said doze may be.

Always having had the punch, this Giant club has shown pitching consistency we never dreamed of. For three weeks McGraw couldn't find a pitcher able to last five rounds. Now an entire stable is running amuck without a quiver anywhere along the route, doing as valiant service as the team's run getters and deserving as much praise.

The Flag Dreamers It was generally conceded back in March that the big leagues this season would know closer and better races than they had produced in 1908. But no one ever figured that as many as three of the best fielding trios would be considered with pennant chances.

There has been no great upset in the National League since the Braves' double play array and greater speed than the Cobb-Crawford-Veach combination at its best.

RIFLE CLUB TO MEET

Chester Valley Organization Plans to Extend Scope

A public meeting of the newly formed Chester Valley Rifle Club will be held in the parish house of St. Paul's Church at Glen Loch for the purpose of formulating plans for the club's future. It is expected to have a prominent speaker from the Philadelphia branch of the Security League present, who will illustrate his views on the subject. A question that will be taken up will be the joining of the club with the National Rifle Club or the Main Line Rifle Club, the latter of which is the oldest organization in the county. The Rev. Dr. J. L. Prevoist, Sidney L. Roberts, David E. Morris and Max Livingston, Jr.

PENN NINE MEETS

TIGERS TOMORROW

Contest Will Be Staged on Franklin Field Decoration Day, 2:30 P. M.

Princeton's formidable baseball team will invade Franklin Field tomorrow afternoon in an effort to send the colors of the University of Pennsylvania nine trailing in the dust in their second contest of the season. Tomorrow's contest will be called at 2:30 p. m., sharp, and Coach Roy Thomas' ball tossers will be awaiting the approach of the ferocious quadruplets of the orange and black of Princeton must be lowered from the collegiate baseball mast this time.

PRINCETON. Leibold, rf; Taylor, cf; Driggs, ss; Shea, 3b; Sully, 2b; Gilmore, c; Cromwell, p.

Charley Brickley to Wed BOSTON, Mass., May 28.—Charley Brickley, former Harvard captain, who kicked and batted around for four years, has just his match. Dan Smith is to be married to Miss Agnes Coakley, of Boston, will be announced this week.

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TENDLER SHOWS IN FINAL GO OF SEASON TONIGHT

Newsboy Meets Rugged Opponent in Shubert in Olympia Club's Windup

WILL BE FEATHER IN 1917

Law Tendler, the newsboy boxer and best of the local bantam field, makes his final bow of the season in ring attire tonight, and it probably will be his last appearance as a contender for Kid Williams' laurels. Law is only a youngster, still in his teens, and by the time the 1916-17 campaign rolls around he will have added sufficient weight to enter the division ruled by John P. Kilbane.

The newsboy southpaw meets a rugged, aggressive and ever-punching antagonist in Al Shubert, the New Englander, in the star bout at the Olympia tonight. Tendler was defeated in only one set-to this year—against Benny Kaufman—but several weeks later he came back and more than evened the score with Benjamin.

Hard punching will be the feature of the semiwindup between Willie Moore and Sammy Robideau. Both possess knockout wallop, and the victor will have a good claim to the welterweight title of Philadelphia.

The Olympia will close for the season next Monday night with Benny Kaufman vs. Johnny Ertle in the windup. Tonight's program follows: First bout—Johnny Camp, Southwark, vs. Young Chaney, Baltimore. Second bout—Jack Toland, 12th Ward, vs. Harry Smith, 15th Ward. Third bout—Johnny Mealy, Southwark, vs. Leo Vincent, Southwark. Semiwindup—Sam Robideau, Southwark, vs. Willie Moore, Southwark. Windup—Law Tendler, Southwark, vs. Al Shubert, Bedford.

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

Pat Bradley showed so well in the last two rounds of his fight with Mickey Donley that he impressed the spectators with his wonderful punch. He is expected to take on the man with the toughest batters in the country, two years ago Pat started out as a good opponent for Joe Alvarez, and a meeting between the two will bring together two of the best scrappers in all likelihood.

Louisiana will make his return appearance in the East since his successful green invasion when he meets Frankie Brown, of New York, in Baltimore in a 15-round contest. This will be near Philadelphia's first match under the management of Sammy Harris, former adviser of Willie Wilson, who is expected to be the champion in a titanic mix with Louisiana.

Another local boxer who shows out of town tonight is Eddie O'Keefe. He will meet Art Strachewski, in a return 10-round tilt in Cleveland. Strachewski is a former amateur boxer.

See-saw Kelly is right on edge for his bout with Walter Carroll at the Gaiety Theatre Wednesday night.

Tommy Jamison vs. Fred Wolf and Joe Allison vs. Spike McFadden are the respective feature fights of the weekly shows at the Ryan new model club tomorrow night. Charley Rear Harty Bullman in the semi at the former club will fight the fourth number at Barney Ford's arena, will bring together Billy Hines and Harry Murray.

Four knockouts out of five is a recent record made by Ad Wolcott, former lightweight champion, and it was thought that the Cadillac blowout was through. Adolph probably is training next, as he did for his matches earlier in the season. When in Philadelphia Wolcott wanted that he "never had to train for six-round bouts."

Ever Hammer, the new Western sensation who came into prominence through a victory over Fred Walsh, is in line for some real mad matches. He is booked with Johnny Dundee for 10 rounds, July 8, in a set-to to be decided in East Chicago.

Six star bouts will comprise the first Friday night double at the sumo mats at the National Club this week. Joe Agnew, Irish Phishy Cline, Frank Conroy, Frankie Cleveland, Johnny Nash and Henry Hamber will meet in different contests.

A boxing club will be opened at Emporium, Pa., by the late Harry Hamber. The club will be staged every two weeks. Jack McGulgan, of Philadelphia, has been appointed matchmaker and referee.

Will Play Soccer Final June 10

A. B. Besinger, secretary of the American Football Association, announced yesterday that the final round of a championship competition of the association should be held in Philadelphia on Saturday afternoon, June 10. The contesting teams will be Bethlehem F. C., holders of the national championship, and the Scottish Americans of Newark, holders of the A. F. A. cup, for which they will play.

SHORT HOLES AT WHITEMARSH PROVE TO BE TICKLISH PLAYING FOR SH-SHIVERING GOLFERS

Delicate Shots Required By Panicky Players. Public Course Inspected Today

By SANDY McNIBBLICK

THE beautiful course at the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club is rapidly forging to the front as a links of considerably more than scenic beauty. The changes this year have brought it along to decided championship possibilities.

There are two short holes there that require about the daintiest strokes of any of the one-shot holes in the city. The re-modelled 9th is one and the other is the 12th. They are "no nice mark" for a golfer, with trembling elbows or shivery hands.

Nearly all those that followed the play in the championships last week enticed over the 9th holes which had stood as an incorrect hole for seasons. The green has been raised so that it is no longer blind from the tee. As the hole now stands, the fairway runs, between banks near the hole, in a hollow and the green is terraced above sand pits which surround it. A running line of sand squares guards the approach. All the material for the construction was obtained from other changes made on the course from turf to sand, so that the expense involved in building the hole was simply the labor.

Hole Built at Low Cost The total expense of the hole from its first building when the course was constructed has been less than \$500, according to L. F. Deming, who helped to plot the changes.

The cost of rebuilding the hole was about \$250," he said. "It is now one of our best holes."

It takes a fine shot to make a correct pitch to the hole, and it is easily overcarried, and a shot not quite "up" means a bitter pitch from the sand.

The 12th hole also requires a delicate shot to the green. It is on a high crest overlooking the rest of the course and there is generally a good breeze ready to throw the pitch out of bounds, which runs snugly along the fairway right up to the hole.

If the winds blow the other way the ball is tossed into the rough on the left and a too-strong out is likely to go out of bounds. About the only way to play in to land the green, and this is not always possible to the golfer that wishes with all his soul to claim a par 3 for the hole. The heights of the short 18th also present many possibilities for the player who is being harassed, and a 3 for the hole is the exception rather than the rule.

Public Course Ready

The volunteer committee of golf leaders and experts of this city, together with members of the Fairmount Park Commission, inspected the public links at Cobble Creek today to make a final examination of the course before it is thrown open.

The members of the committee are Robert W. Lesley, chairman; Hugh Wilson, A. H. Smith, John W. Pepper, George C. Klauder and Alan Corson. The course has been constructed under Jesse T. Vogdes, chief engineer of the Park Commission.

No player will be allowed to begin play except from the first tee, and each player is limited to the use of one ball. Two players will not be permitted to play with a single set of clubs.

Children will not be permitted on the course, but any person 16 years of age or over may play on the course for a registration fee of a dollar. A permit tag is then given for one year, which must be shown before teeing off. Any person not having a tag will be required to pay \$5 cents for the use of the golf course and clubhouse accommodations for one day or part thereof. Any holder of a permit may obtain the use of a locker on payment of \$10 per year.

On Saturdays, Sundays and holidays a bag line can be formed up to 7:10 a. m. at the first tee and score cards will be

Tomorrow's Tournaments and Today's Tee Talk

Seventeenth annual contest for the Joseph Henry Patterson Memorial Cup, 36 holes, medal play, at the Philadelphia Cricket Club, 7 a. m. to 11 a. m. Four-ball tournament, Whitemarsh Valley C. C. Morning and afternoon handicap medal play against honey, at the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club, 9 a. m. to 12 p. m. Handicap medal play, 36 holes, for the McGraw Cup, at Overbrook. Memorial Day handicap for Classes A and B to qualify in each class, at Fairmount medal play. Handicap medal play, 9 a. m., Huntingdon Valley. Prize for lowest net score. At 12 p. m., four-ball matches, selected score. Handicap medal play, 36 holes, to pair making lowest score, at H. V. C. C. Handicap medal play, 36 holes, to pair making lowest score, at H. V. C. C. Three sixes to qualify, morning and afternoon medal play.

It is better to look at the place where the ball is to be struck than to look at the hole. The head should turn naturally with the body and the ball is struck in the middle of the head. The head held firm will spin any following through, for it will check the right shoulder and arm. To follow the flight of the ball turn the head, but never lift it.

These players in the order of the bag line. After 7:30 a. m. every player must register with the caddy master at his office. The first half of the 72-hole round for the Silver Crown will be played tomorrow at the Philadelphia Cricket Club in the seventeenth annual contest for the Joseph Henry Patterson cup, which will be 36 holes of medal play. The second round of play for the cross will be the qualifying round of the Philadelphia individual championships. The cross was won last year by Walter Haysoldt. A silver cross is also played for by women golfers, but the final round is not till October 16. A large entry list has been received for the play at the Cricket Club tomorrow, despite the fact that most of the clubs are staging events of their own.

Mack Signs Collegian

ORONO, Me., May 29.—Dick Lawry, University of Maine second baseman, has been signed by Connie Mack for the Philadelphia Athletics. He stands 5 feet 11 inches high and weighs about 160 pounds. He throws right handed and bats the same way. He hit close to .400 for Maine.

DORSEY, NON-LETTER MAN, IS PENN LEADER

Quaker Relay Member May Be Given Insignia for Indoor Work

Frank J. Dorsey is Pennsylvania's newly elected track captain. All precedents were broken when the members of the team that competed in the annual intercollegiate contests at Cambridge returned the ballot for Dorsey as leader of the Red and Blue on the cinder path for the 1916-1917 season, as Dorsey has yet to win his varsity letter. He had not won a first place in any of the dual meets all spring, nor did he place in the intercollegiate.

There were quite a number of men on the team that had won their insignia, but all of these were passed up in order that Dorsey might be returned the captain. Frank has been a hard worker throughout the three years he has been competing for the Red and Blue, and it was mainly his personality and stick-to-itiveness that secured the captaincy for him.

During the last indoor season Dorsey was a member of both the one and two mile relay teams, and as the Quakers won easily every race they competed in, there is a possibility the Athletic Association may award the newly elected captain his letter by reason of his most creditable indoor performances.

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Advertisement for 'LAST SATTAY DAY COFFYCAKUS, I WAS AT CAMBRIDGE.' featuring a cartoon of a man on a bicycle and the text 'I SAW TED MEREDITH BREAK THE RECORD IN THE FOHR-FOHRTY U DID?? YEP! WELL TELL ME MYLES- WHAT WAS THE TIME? O ABOUT FOUR P.M. S'LOVELY WEBBER'.