# NO TEAM IN HISTORY OF BASEBALL GETS BETTER RESULTS FROM BUNTING GAME THAN PHIL

# PHILLIES, SLOW AFOOT, ARE BETTER BUNTING TEAM THAN **GREAT AGGREGATIONS OF PAST**

# Moran's National League Champions Derive Greater Benefit From This Style of Play Than Any Club in History of Game

THE uncanny ability of the Philles to work the squeeze play and the remark-able bunting ability of the entire team is proving more effective than the fence-breaking policy of the past. When the Phililes first became serious pennant contenders in 1915 the feature of the attack was long distance hitting at opportune moments. Then Manager Moran gradually got his system of team working and for the rest of the season the Philfies continually crossed the opposing teams by pulling the unexpected. The "squeeze" play was used with great success from time to time, but it was not perfected to such an extent that Moran would risk using it in the world's series.

Two games might have been won in the clash with the Red Sox if the Phils had the confidence in the play that they have today. Last season Dode Paskert was rather uncertain in working the bunting end of the play, while before Moran took charge of the team he was a poor bunter. Today Paskert is one of the most proficient men on the team in bunting for a sacrifice or on the squeeze. Cravath, who never knew what it was to bunt before Moran took charge, also is a dependable bunter now.

The remarkable efficiency of Moran's team' in scoring runs without the long distance hitting which featured the work of the team last season is perhaps the real reason why rival teams are underestimating the strength of the champlons. There is not a single manager in the National League who believes the Phils will repeat, while several have gone so far as to say Moran's team has not a chance. These managers cannot see the Phillies as champions because they have failed to realize the value of the Phillies' bunting game.

When the Giants and Dodgers are not hitting they are helpless, while the Reds and Cubs must make almost twice the number of hits to get the same number of runs the Phils average. There is only one team in the National League which realizes the value of the Moran system and which uses an offense similar to that of the Phils. That team is the Braves and when Stallings' team starts hitting it is certain to come fast.

#### Squeeze Play Responsible for Many Victories

SINCE the Phillies returned home the "squeeze" play has been responsible for the winning or tying run in six games, while the plain every day sacrifice has advanced runners to a position where they could and did score on a single. This has been a daily feature of the games. Moran believes in the old fashioned system of playing for one run, but in perfecting the bunting game he has not entirely overlooked the hit and run play.

Since the heyday of the famous Baltimore Orioles there has not been a team in either league so proficient in the art of bunting and working the squeeze and it is doubtful if the Orioles classed with the Phils. This famous Baltimore team was the first to appreciate the value of bunting, and Ned Hanion built a wonderful offense around the bunt, which in those days was a despised play.

The old timer could do everything in baseball as well as the present day star excepting bunts, and the only reason they could not bunt was because they thought it was a confession of batting weakness which old time players Hanlon was really the man who revolutionized the game. He had McGraw, Keeler, Jennings, Kelly, Brodie and Reitz, who were fast runners and consistent hitters, but the "punch" was lacking until Hanlon utilized wonderful place hitting ability of these men and taught them to upset the opposing infield by constantly switching from the bunt to the hit and run.

There were other great bunting teams shortly after this period, with the old Cleveland team, which later was transferred to St. Louis, probably the best of the lot. Jess Burkett, Emmett Heidrick, "Cupid" Childs, Ed McKean, Jake Beckley and Rhody Wallace were members of this team and all were excellent bunters and were proficient in hitting behind the runner. Brooklyn in 1900, with Keeler Jennings, Kelly and De Montrevelle, of the old Orioles, and Fielder Jones and Jimmy Sheckard was a great bunting team, but with Lave Cross, Bill Dahlen, Kelly and Jennings so proficient at hitting with the runner, this system of play was discarded. Veteran players claffn that this Brooklyn team was the greatest hit and run club in the history of the game.

#### Athletics and White Sox Were Great Bunters -

SEVERAL other teams perfected the bunting game, including the Athletics of 1903 and the White Sox of 1906, but like most other clever bunting teams, both used the bunt only to place runners in position to score, discarding it then for slugging tactics. It remained for Morap to perfect the bunting game to such an extent that the Phillies are feared more when they are in a slump and playing for one run, via the squeeze, than when the wrecking crew is trying to take advantage of the small field.

All things considered the Phillies surpass any team the game has ever seen at the bunting game, because they use it as a scoring play. The success of the Phillies with the bunting game and squeeze play is all the more remarkable when one considers that there is not a slower team in either league. On the bases Moran's men pull some rare inside "stuff" and by being constantly on the move seldom fail to go from first to third or second to the plate on a single, but judgment, and not speed, is responsible for this.

The Phils seldom steal bases, as there are few players in the line-up fast enough afoot to get away with it, but they are nevertheless a fine base running team. The Giants, with a team of speed merchants, were shown up on the bases by the Phillies in the recent series, while Cincinnati, another fast but



"I believe that Dillon and Moran will put up the greatest of modern fights; a much better one than Willard-Moran; a fight without any titles at stake; just a fight for the survival of the fittest. I look for a knockout, but as to who shall score it uld not like to go on record as saving.

with a full wallop, driving the ball out of the lot over an elevation of some 100 feet.

#### What's the Quaint Idea?

You may recall the names of the hardest hiting infeld that has played in 20 years— McInnis, Collins, Barry and Baker. Three at least were always good for any spot be-tween .330 and .360. Then they were scat-tered. Now, what's the quaint idea? Have cents per round.

"We want you to give us the putters that don't putt, the mashies that don't mash, the niblics that don't nib," continued the "How can a ball club that wins 19 out of \$1 on the road ever lose 13 out of 16 at home?"—F. H. D. Another fairly inter-ested citizen who would like to know is John The niblics that don't nib," continued the president of the association. "You carry them around with you day in and day out, but you never use them. There are hun-dreds of folks who would be giad to have Southern Association. Doolan balls being released to the minors, and Pre Weeghman, of the Cubs, gave him p sion to dicker with the New York Nat Doolan was shortstop and cantain a

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Despite the overcast skies and chilly wish this city was gay in its holiday dram of fings and bunting. Business buildings were draped with bas-ners, figs and bunting, and shop window were decorated with college flags, mass ture shells and photographs of prenew races. The hotels are rapidly filling w with folk from out of town, hall com-sations smack of boat races, shells ad oarsmen.

oarsmen. Some betting was done here last nist with Syracuse a favorite in the varsit and Cornell in the junior race. In the framms event all the crews were on an even base Syracuse men gave 3 to 2 that their fast eight would whip the field. Cornell and Columbia bet even against each other no 3 to 3 that each would whip Pennsyinals Cornell money at even against the field the the junior race was a favorite bet the Ithaca lads seeming to think they were sur-

Thaca lads seeming to think they were sure in this race. Rough water and cold weather put a crimp in rowing here yesterday afteness and none of the crews was out until after to Jim Rice kept his men indoors all moning, and this afternoon had hot tes served as his could stave off their appetites long ensuin to get them out for a row after 1 when conditions were much better for starting work. Wright kept his men at the best house for an hour and a half before he me-tured out in the evening. He tried to creas to the east shore, but the whiteenpe were too much, so the eights moved up along the west shore in tandem fashion at easy swings, with the coach bending his effect to correct their faults.

swings, with the coach bending his shreat to correct their faults. He hus worked wonders with the frea-men since they came here, and that crew has an equal chahce with any. The ma-in the waist of his boat are tremendou fai-lows, who can pull a big load. Checking the slides of this crew and the junior boat has been his big problem up here. Cornell sneaked down stream as Pem-sylvania went up. Courtney was no or today, the weather giving him a seton. He had Brower, No. 7, back in the varify tonight, as that athlete was excused from the morning pull because of boils. Synams was without Schutt, her freitman box, for a similar reason. The rough water caused a similar reason. The rough water cause a postponement of the sub-sights race be tween Cornell and Columbia until temor-

M'GRAW SIGNS MIKE DOOLAN TO PLAY WITH N. Y. GIANTS

Atlanta Club to Protest Signing d. Shortstop by Muggsy

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Southern Association club will protest in signing of Mike Doolan by the New Test

player signed by Manager McGraw.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Manager Ja McGraw, of the New York National Large club, has signed Mike Doolan, the verse shortstop, who started the season with M Chicago Nationals, but was released by the latter club to the Atlanta team, club Combers Association Doolan build

near base running team, was beaten vesterday because the Phils used better judgment on the paths, worked the bunting game to the limit, and played superior inside ball.

#### Outhit Three to One, But Won on Squeeze

ACCORDING to our way of scoring, the Reds outhit the Phillies three to one, A the count being 9 to 3, but the official figures gave the Phils four hits, Whitted being credited with a single when Mollwitz fumbled his bunt on a beautifully executed squeeze play. The Phils won because they outgeneraled the visitors and the victory was due to the unusual bunting ability of Moran's team, the squeeze sending the first run over the plate and upsetting the Reds to such an extent that the second was a gift.

Until the seventh inning the Phillies made only one hit off Pete Schneider Herzog's great young hurler, and with the Reds batting Alexander the Great freely, it looked very much as if the visitors would soon get a break and win. Stock opened the Phils' half of the inning with a double to left and was immediately sacrificed to third by Cravath. Then came the squeeze play with the reliable Whitted making good under unusual circumstances, all of which goes to prove that it is impossible to break this play up if it is worked properly.

Manager Herzog called the turn on the play and walked over to the box to warn Pitcher Schneider and Catcher Wingo. They watched Stock closely and Schneider was determined to break the play up by pitching a ball which Whitted would be unable to bunt, while First Baseman Mollwitz came in close prepared to return the ball to the plate. Stock knew this, but as Schneider nd up he dashed for the plate. The Red infield shouted a warning to Schneider and he pitched straight at Whitted.

#### It Was a Play Which Could Not Be Stopped

INSTEAD of dodging, Whitted stepped and bunted the ball straight at Mollwits who was within 25 feet of the plate. The ball was bunted hard, but the big first baseman would have had no chance to catch Stock if he had handled the ball perfectly, as the Philly third baseman flashed across the plate before the ball touched Mollwitz's glove. The latter would have had Whitted at first by 20 feet if he had not fumbled the ball and that is why we credited the first seman with an error and the Phils three hits.

Whitted advanced to second on an out and came all the way home with the and run on Herzog's wide throw to Mollwitz, which did not roll more than 15 feet away from first base. It was a lucky thing for the Phils that Whitted was wide awake and made this tally, as a poor but excusable play by Cravath gave the Reds one run and put Herzog on third with one out in the following inning.

Groh singled with one man out in this inning and Herzog followed with another safety to right. The Phils had a two run lead, but Cravath evidently overlooked this fact and came in fast for the ball to make a play for Groh at third instead of playing it safe. The ball and grass were wet, as it was drizzling at the time, and when the sphere struck the earth it shot off to the right and rolled to the fence for a triple, Groh scoring. . .

It looked very much as if the score would be tied, but the Reds had no run producing play, such as the squeeze, and Wade Killefer, brother of Catcher Bill, lifted an easy fly to Stock and the latter threw out Griffith. In the ninth nder retired the Reds in order.

The value of the squeeze play was never brought out better than in this rame. Three times the Reds had runners on third and one out but could not score with the slugging game, while the Phillies did not have a man that far in the antiro game, barring the seventh inning. When they finally got one to that station they brought him home by playing heady ball.

for it is an even chance. Like all fight fans, we all have our choice. The first one you will ask will say, 'Moran will stop Dillon'; the next one will wager that Dilfon will knock out the Pittsburgher. It is this equally divided opinion that makes the fight interesting."

#### Scraps About Scrappers

Johnny Nelson proved himself the greatest dope upsetter in local boxing this year by scor-ing victories over soveral boxers who believed him a "set up." Tonight he tackles hick blob, and while the latter is a clear ic. What son's stift punches again may result in the un-supected.

A bantamweight bout between Eddie Cava-naugh and Andy Burns, territorial rivals, will be the feature of the semifinal at the Cambria. Other numbers scheduled for tonicht are Tommy Gorman vs. Lee Flynn, Eddie Kelly vs. Johnny Morgan and Andy Potts vs. Charlle Doyle.

Darby Caspar never trained more diligently for a match than for his setto Monday night with Pat Bradley at the Broadway Club. The Smoky Hollow Mol has a great chance to ado greatly to his presize by a victory over the Italian and he is preparing to take advantage of it.

Tommy Jamison, the knockout kid from Dray's Ferry, and Eddie Hart, of West Phila-leiphia, have been rematched by George Decker to meet in the star bout at the Lincoin Athletic Tub tonisht. The semi-wind-up also will be repeater, with Henry Hinkley and Willie Benckert the principals, while in the other bouts whitey Fitzgerald tackies Joe Gavin. Al Ed-wards meets Willie Clark, with Jimmy Austin and Chick Young showing in the opener.

Following his victory over Lengthy Jos Rosen Jack Blackburn, who proved he was boxing i good form, will make his next appearance Tues day night in the final at the Ryan A. C. Match maker Byan has picked a good, tough opponen in Willie Baker.

Cleverness will predominate in the main min at the Model Athletic Club Tuesday night, when Tommy. O'Keefe and Joe Weish pitch into each other for Bouth Philadelphia preetige. Bobb Gunnis is annicus to gain for Weish the recog-nition of Philadelphia's lightweight champion. Mutt McCabs, who has been scoring knockouts in a row at the Model, is down for one of the prelims against Jack Brady.

BALTIMORE, June 16.—The fight betwee Frankis O'Neil and Shep Dixon at the Hold day Sirset Club last night lasted but one roum and the spectators got little for their money O'Neil after a few from monte of sparting, which gave no indication of the real merits of th bantams, landed a stiff right to the jaw an Dixon went down. He was not badly hurt, bu his axiets assonible three water upon him an the referee humediately disqualified Dixon.

LAWRENCE. Mass., June 16.—Al Shubert, of New Bedford, was certainly handed a sift at the send of the 12-reund bout at the Unity Criph harv last night, when Referee Tommy Sullivan de-clared he had earlied a draw with Battling Reddy, of Brooklyn, N. Y. It was Reddy's fight, and in the equilion of a large majority of the faus he should have been given the decision.

ORK, June 16 -- Willie Ryan by Fanke in the sixth round 10-round nout in the Pionser Instr. Young Joe Rivers had ols. Walter Laurets knocked

you noticed their batting marks of 1916? Frank Baker, with the Yanks, is batting 264 Eddie Collins, with the White Sox, is batting .248.

Jack Barry, with the Red Sox, is batting

Stuffy McInnis, with the Mackmen, is batting .183.

batting .183. There is a saying that is supposed to run something like this: "United we stand; di-vided we fall." That might be revised to read, "United we bat over .300; divided we drop back below .250." For it is a remarkable occurrence, inci-dent or enlands that not one of the old

dent or episode that not one of the old Mackian infield is batting .370, two months after the season has opened. Only one of the quartet is over .25% and the average of the four is down around

Knowing all the quaint and osets connected with baseball, this turn is the strangest of all. For there lan't a man in the bunch who is yet 30; there isn't one of them who isn't taking fine care of himself; there isn't an entry in the lot who isn't hustling his best and drawing down big money for the job.

big money for the job. Yet here is the answer—a combined bat-ting average of 225 for Stuffy McInnis, Frank Baker, Eddie Collins and Jack Barry! And this after two months' play. Darry: And this after two months' play. There are still one or two other things in the span of this game that lie beyond the philosophy and dope of all who follow its winding wake. And this is one of them.

L. L. J .- Robertson, of the Giants, is the leading run-getter so far, with an average seven points above Tris Speaker, who has scored more runs, but who has been in a good many more games.

## You Probably Mean This

NEW YORK, June 16.—Frank J. Marshall United States chass champion, won his match yesterday with D. Janowski, of Faris, by draw ing the sighth game of the series and winding up with a total score of 5% to 2%, thereby making it unnecessary to contest the remaining two games, both of which Marshall codid afford to loss. Siz-Can you give me the rest of that quotation from Shakespeare which begins, "Cowards die many times before their death," etc. You quoted part of it some time ago. H. R. H. "Cowards dis many times before their

deaths The valiant never taste of death but once:

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The Jasper F. C., a fast semipro, traveling and, wants to arrange sames with home club tor June 11 and July 1 and July 4. For same rits James Clark, 1859 Clementine street, o home Kensington 6100.

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Any first-class team wishing the services of a catcher should communicate with Roger Sea scholtz, cara Central National Bank, or phone Lombard 836.

July 8, 22 and 29 are open dates on the schedule of Brideaburg A. A. Home teams de-airing this attraction should write Harry C. Smith, 4469 East Thompson street.

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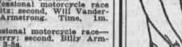
signing of alke Doolan by distant in Nationals, according to a statement in night by Manager Charles Frank, when it was informed that McGraw had signed to veteran shortstop. "The Cubs already had turned Doolan over to my club, and us called on at the dinner, which followed 36 holes of golf, 18 at the Philmont Club and 18 over the Huntingdon Valley links, a few no authority to permit him to dicke will the Giants," Frank said.

#### WILEY WINS BIKE GRIND

Carman, the Favorite, Is Runner-up, With Linart, in Third Place

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