EBBETS INSISTED ON PLAYING FIRST GAME OF PHIL-DODGER SERIES DESPITE POOR FIELD

EBBETS HAD NO THOUGHT FOR FANS' COMFORT; SIMPLY CASE OF GETTING PUBLIC'S MONEY

Evidently Brooklyn Club Disliked Idea of Refunding Receipts for 10,000 Paid Admissions and Ordered Game Played

THE worst farce in the history of baseball was enacted at Ebbets' Field yester-L day afternoon when the Phillies and Brooklyn were permitted to start and finish the first game of a scheduled double-header with the field in such horrible condition that it was apparent to the 10,000 spectators that baseball was out of the question. The fans would have been contented if the first game had been postponed, and they were prepared to wait for the start of the second battle when the umpires, acting upon instructions, called play.

It had rained from 12 o'clock until after 2, and was drizzling slightly, with the field ankle deep in mud, when Umpire Byron announced that a game would be played. The fans were amazed, but as the skies were clearing they believed the storm might be over and the field would be dry after a few innings had been played, but no sooner had the game begun than it started to rain heavily.

The first shower after play had started should have been enough to cause the umpires to call the contest off, but Owner Ebbets let it be known that he wanted the game to continue because there were 10,000 cash customers in the park. Brooklyn has had many postponed games on the present home stand, so Ebbets thought that the fans should pay for the club's misfortune.

The most remarkable game in the entire history of baseball resulted, and regardless of who happened to win, the result only could be and was unsatisfactory. It looked very much as if Umpire Byron would have called the game off after

four and a half innings if it had not been the second outbreak by the fans. If this had been done the score would have reverted back to the fourth inning, with neither team winning, while the rain checks would not have been good, because the required four and one-half innings had been played. It is a fortunate thing that Umpire Byron has great courage, and took it upon himself to make the two teams go through nine innings in a steady downpour of rain and on a field which was ankle deep in mud on the base lines, and from five to ten inches depth of

Ebbetts' Statement at Sports Writers' Dinner

ITWAS only last winter that Owner Ebbets told several hundred fans at the Phila-delphia Sporting Writers' banquet that baseball was the game of the people; that he had always made it a point to allow the fans to dictate the Brooklyn Club's policy, and several other such statements about baseball being in its infancy, etc., and that he was the real pilot of the dear old public.

After four innings had been played in a downpour of rain yesterday the fans came to the conclusion that Ebbets forgot his promises and did not hear them shouting to call the game, and they took matters in their own hands. They rushed upon the field and, standing ankle deep in mud, demanded that Umpire Byron call off the game, which would permit them to see a double header today on the rain checks issued yesterday. Umpire Byron knew just what Owner Ebbets thought of such a procedure after the game had been permitted to start, and rightfully looked out for the club's interests. He insisted that the game

Fans Thoroughly Peeved at Owner Ebbetts

THE fans were just as obstinate as Byron and they insisted that it should not continue. The action of the fans placed Byron, Owner Ebbets and the Brooklyn Club in a very nasty position. If the fans refused to leave the field within five minutes there was nothing left for Byron to do but forfeit the game. This would have satisfied the fans, as much as they wanted to see the Dodgers win, because the rain checks would have been good today or any other day. Any time a baseball fan is willing to cause the forfeiture of a game which the home team has an excellent chance to win, they are thoroughly peeved, and such was the case

There were not enough police or ground attendants in the park to handle the crowd, so as a last resort Manager Robinson and Captala Jake Daubert made speeches, begging the fans to get off the field to save a forfeiture. Finally their pleading had the desired effect and the fans returned to their seats; but as the storm broke out anew, they swarmed upon the field again after Ed Pfeffer, the Dodger's star placher, had thrown three balls.

They knew they were being robbed, and as much as they sympathized with the Brooklyn players, who are buttling hard to bring home the pennant, they could not stand for such an exhibition of greed on the part of a magnate who showed plainly that the dollar mark comes before the comfort and good will of the fans. After arguments between the Brooklyn players and the fans, they decided that since the club had their money and intended to keep it, they might just as well get the farce over as quickly as possible.

Tinker Has Settled on His Own Line-up

JOE TINKER has completed experimenting with his Cub machine and now has it aimed in the general direction of the 1916 National League pennant, he

The Cubs sized up on paper as one of the best outfits that has visited Philadelphia this season. Tinker brought them here just at a time when he had finished tinkering. The Cubs have a great outfied, a fast infield, their pitchers are breezing along merrily and the team is slamming the ball to all portions of the playing area-and frequently out of it.

Sousa's band has nothing on the Cubs when it comes to harmony. The whole crew is working together with a "do-or-die" spirit; they are fighting every inch of the way, but they are fighting cleanly; they aren't baiting umpires. The season is 10 weeks old, yet in all that time only two Cub players have been chased from the frolic-and none has been suspended.

When the Chicago Feds and the Cubs were merged Tinker promised the Chicago fans that Heinie Zimmerman would be a different person this year; that Heinle would play the game every day, play with all the skill that is his-and that Heinie would leave the umpires alone. "If handled right Heinie is one of the easiest-going players in the game," said Tinker. "Heinle understands me and I understand him. We're going to get along nicely." And they have. The way Heinie has acted this year has been one of the big surprises of the season. Only once since the barrier arose in April has he been expunged from the battleground. That was in the ninth inning of a game, and the offense was so slight that no suspension was meted out.

"I've asked my boys to let me do the debating with umpires," said Tinker, "I want them to stay in the game. Every time they have words with an umpire they risk being sent to the clubhouse. If some of the boys are put out of the game it means that the fans in a way are being cheated, because they have gaid to see all my men play, not to see them quarrel with umpires or sit on the bench. "I am being paid to manage the team and fight for its rights with the umpires

The fans don't pay to see me manage, and so if I am put out of the lot the patrons aren't being defrauded of any part of the anticipated entertainment. So I am doing the arguing-and the boys are doing the playing."

Howard Berry Excellent Choice for Captain

HOWARD BERRY, America's greatest all; around college athlete, not only should be the leading baseball player in collegiate ranks next season, but he should prove to be a capable leader for the Red and Blue. Berry learned the game from professionals and knows every angle. He will be invaluable to Coach Roy Thomas in many more ways than the average college player.

Although Thomas directs the team play from the bench, the strength of the nine will be increased materially by the presence of Berry in the role of captain and shortstop. He will, in his position, be at the proper place to direct all of the defense.

Berry is a born athlete and natural baseball player. He knows what to do without having to think out the play, as the college player is taught to do. All of these qualities combine to make the pentathlon champion one of the best selections ever made by the boys on Franklin Field.

Penn's carsmen were highly praised for their good work in practice before the intercollegiate regatta, but since that disastrous affair we have not heard that the coxswains crew once even, to say nothing of thrice.

Davis Typical "Native Son" Player

IN THE Pennsylvania State lawn tennis tournament, which was finished yesterday on the courts of the Merion Cricket Club, Haverford, with Willis E. Davis victor, the Californian showed that he is one of the true "native sons" at this popular pastime. Davis' play through the tournament smacked of a dash and vim of the coast. His "Big Bertha" service, flerce forehand drives and deadly killing at the net indicate that he is one of the coming national stars.

Davis' victory over Craig Biddie yesterday in the final round was colorless in the extreme, but that does not prevent him being justly considered among the best who ever wore the Pennsylvania lawn tennis crown. Davis is young, and it is highly probable that if he is able to remain here and enter the national tournament at Forest Hills, L. L. that he will be one of the contenders for national honors in July.

IT HAPPENS IN THE BEST REGULATED OF FAMILIES



D'ARCY LEAVES **AUSTRALIA FOR** U. S. INVASION

Antipodean Middleweight on Way to America, According to Reports

It seems probable now that Les Darcy, It seems probable now that Les Darcy, the Australian middleweight, will pay a visit to this country. The source of this information is Fred Dyer, another Australian, who has received a letter from a friends in Australia, in which it was said that Darcy would "sail next week for America." According to this news Darcy is already on the water on his way to this country. The letter also contained the news that Darcy was leaving Sydney, Australia,

country. The letter also contained the news that Darry was leaving Sydney, Australia, for San Francisco, where he would meet Jack Keans, his American manager.

Many hoxing promoters in this country have displayed an eagerness to get Darcy to come to the United States and some good offers have been made. The Australian's feat in twice knocking out Eddie McGorty, who was looked upon as a legitimate contender for the world's middleweight henors, convinced promoters on this side of the ocean that he was a boxer de of the eccan that he was a boxer

All attempts, however, to induce the Aus-All attempts, however, to induce the Alistralian to come to this country have failed because of the war and the fact that is eligible for military duty. The last heard from Darcy was that he had enlisted and was training in the aviation corps. It was understood recently that a heavy bond, guaranteeing Darcy's return to Australia after he had contested in a series of bouts in this country, had been refused consideration by Australian officials. on by Australian officials.

If the information contained in the letter Dyer is authentic. American enthusiasts boxing can look forward to a match belike Gibbons, the St. Paul bexer, and Darcy. Attempts by promoters on both sides of the ocean to obtain a match between these two boxers have failed. It has been announced several times that the St. Paul boxer was intending to make the trip to Australia for a match with Darcy, but the Australian promoters have failed to ome un to Gibbons' requirements.

Scraps About Scrappers

Bouts scheduled for tenight will be held as a Ryan and Model clubs.

Jack Hackburn, recognized as the greatest sever in the world several years are because if his notity of constancementally with opposite sents from the lightweight to the heavyweight inseen, is the feature boxer at the Byan. The serion of the lightweight without last week over yength, his closes that he to boxing well again, to the light he meets a rugged opponent in vitie Baker, tough as well as a hard buncher, and Blackburn should be given a good test.

South Philadelphia lightweight laurels will be stake when Tommy O'Keefe pairs off with a Weini in the final at the Model. Hoth are ver boarrs, and it will be a case of the one lo gets his punches arrived first who will etuer with the bason.

Charley Rear can expect some tough milling when he tackles Al Nelson, who is boxing finely, in the semi at the Ryan, Young Lowres va. Frankle Conter, Frankle Conway va. Billy filmes and Watter Brown vs. Morris Welf are the other house.

Philadelphia 'got it' first. New New York is in line Friday aight Benny Leonard will meet one who is being advertised as a 'tough bird' in the person of Vic Moran, on the strength of his reported two knockdowns in a bout with Charles Wells. Moran showed her with Eddle McAndrews and proved himself a poor preliminary boxer. Leonard, prohably learned of Moran's real shillty, for he has wagered \$2000 to \$1000 that Vic will not last eight rounds.

CASPER EARNS VICTORY IN BOUT WITH JAMISON

Smoky Hollow Lad's Early Lead En ables Him to Return Winner

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THERE'LL BE NOTHING TO THE PENNANT RACE ONCE MY CLUB GETS STARTED, SAYS JENNINGS

By GRANTLAND RICE

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out of 15 starts.

upsets come in succession the average out-Lines to the Colonel sider is willing to believe strongly in a third, once the chance arrives.

Out of politics or in it.
Whatsoever be the job.
Still a fighter every minute.
With a batting eye like Cobb;
Here's your health and even better,
One above the common mold That up party lines could fetter And no Fate could ever hold.

"Remember, too," advises Portho, "that Cleveland gets into a world series, Tris Speaker has never played on a losing world Consider it recorded,

As Sung by Giants and Yanks Sir , Of all the pitchers pesky There's no cove like Coveleskie.

Call Out the Reserves

As we understand it from F. Moran and As we understand it from the other's block away in about two dizzy rounds. Both being prophets of equal horsepower, with the veracity of each one unimpeached, there shall occur then a double knockout very soon in the contest.

Or can it be that Mesers. Moran and

merely are talking through their rough-edged straws?

The Greatest

Sir: To help decide an argument, who is the greatest all-around athlete from this list: Jim Thorpe, Oliphant, Des Jardiens. Mahan, Brickley or Berry, of Penn? What order would you place these in?

D. G. L. (Lawrenceville).

Jim Thorpe, we should say, leads this or any other list-taking in his varying abilities upon the gridron, track, field and diamond. Ranking the others in correct order is a trifle beyond our limited dope.

No 50-50 Evers

There is nothing halfway about Johnny Evers. He has no 50-50 angle. This is especially true where umpires are con cerned. With an umpire Johnny can follow but one of two courses—to devour the judge of play alive, having first well roasted him-or cise leave him severely and screnely alone.

When Johnny once casts restraint aside upon the field he admits that the situation gets beyond his control. He finds it unable o go just so far and then stop. He toles last March at Macon that he determine to have no debate of any sort with the judges, and so far he has stood by his early decision. And we violate no confi-dence in saying that this stand has about ruined Johnny's entire summer, however pleasant it has made life for the umpires.

The 1916 Tigers

The Tigers' June rush from the morans has carried out Hughey Jennings' early dope. "Boston," he said last year, "beat us out by three games. Since then Boston has lost Speaker, who means a good many more than any three games. We certainly are as good as we were, with our main rival weakened. We may get no great pitching but we will get nitching good. pitching, but we will get pitching good enough to win. And once my club gets under way there should be no great doubt about the result.

The fact that other clubs have been strengthened doesn't upset Jennings' dope, for they will cut in as heavily upon his rivals as they will upon him.

The Braves of 1914 and the Phillies of 1915 have proven well enough that a pen-nant can be won by a rank outsider. The Braves that year were picked to finish deep in the second, and so were the Phillies a year later.

The claims of both were joshed and sooted, which accounts for the fact Cleve land has few scoffers today. When two



the Cleveland Indians, but Guy Morton hasn't done them very much harm-if you'll take a brief glance at the records in the case.

Speaking of Tennis It's easy enough to be pleasant In the act of winning a bet, But the guy worth while is the one who can smile After souking one into the net.

OARSMEN CALLED TO ARMS Yale Athletes, Members of Soldier Bat-

Miss Molla Bjurstedt's book on "Tennis teries, to Report After Big Race

Miss Molla Bjurssed's book on "Tennis for Women," recently gotten out by Double-dsy, Page & Co., has more than its.share of valuable instruction. What Miss Bjur-stedt doesn't know about tennis for her sex as well as the opposite could be written NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 20.—The fact that four members of the Yale rowing squad, now to quarters at Gales Ferry, are members of the Yale soldier batteries, led to a request upon the military authorities yesterday that these caranen be not required to report for duty until saturday. In order that the Yale-Harvard regatts plans might not be upset. It is understood that the Harvard crew management has been nformed of the predicament in which the Yale rews find themselves.

Morris Hadley, son of President Hadley, who a rowing in Yale's second varsity eight, is a leutenant in the Yale battation. That zipping noise you may have just neard was Grover Cleveland Alexander slip-ping again. To date he has won only 12 Tris Speaker has been a lot of help to

ENTRIES READY FOR SCHUYLKILL NAVY REGATTA

List of 38 Crews to Compete on Program Composed of 13 Events

DATE SET FOR JUNE 24

Thirty-eight crews will compete in the 52d annual regatta of the Schuyikili Navy for the Caldwell trophy, which will be decided over the national one-mile-and-aquarter course on the upper Schuyikili River on Saturday afternoon, June 1. This was disclosed when the official announcement of the entries for the local rowing classic were officially announced last night at the regular meeting of the navy board at the Colonnade Hotel.

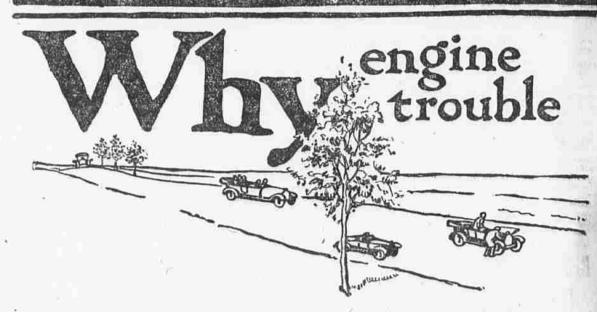
Positions were drawn at the meeting last night. The crews will number from the western shore in the order they are arranged in the following list of entries. anged in the following list of entries. Junior singles—W. F. Haase, Penn Barre, latthew Lukena, Undioe; William McCormas, Vest Philadelphia, Junior eights—Penn Barre, Malta and Vester, Senior doubles—Venner (John B. Kelly 2014), Valter Smith), Bachelors' (Gillespie and Book, Junior centipedes—Went Philadelphia Codine).

Baker Home-Run Hitter Again CLEVELAND. June 20.—Franklin Beker, the reformed Maryland farmer, has put the final touches on the hadly battered linx which has been harassing the Yanks. The ex-sarjeulutus accounted for four of the seven runs which is New York Americans needed to win by the seas of 7 to 6. Three of these runs Mr. Blargathered by driving out a home run in the first mining and sending a couple of Yankees hess before him.

BASEBALL TODAY SHIBE PARK ATHLETICS vs. WASHINGTON Game Called at 3:30 P. M. Tickets on sale at Gimbels' and Spaiding's.

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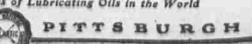
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