#### PLAYERS AT SHIBE PARK WOULD BE A WELCOME INNOVATION NUMBERING OF THE

MISS DORFNER AGAIN SETS

minute 11 and 2-5 seconds.

NEW MARK IN WATER TANK

25-Yard Pool in 1:11 2-5

race was timed by officials of the Amateur Athletic Union.

Gus Lewis Haled Before Court

### ATHLETICS SHOULD ADOPT THE NUMBERING SYSTEM TO HELP FANS FOLLOW GAME

Mack's Daily Switching of Line-up Makes It Difficult for Spectators to Recognize Players and Connie Should Introduce This Innovation

WHILE Connie Mack is juggling his large band of collegians in what appears to be a vain endeavor to restore baseball prestige at Shibe Park, it would aid the same materially in Philadelphia if he would continue his constructive policy in the matter of a few innovations recently suggested. The greatest need at the present moment is the numbering of players. This was first done by the Cleveland club, and proved to be an unqualified success.

While the majority of fans know the players in the major leagues, there is a ninority numbering thousands who do not know the men and who always cannot follow the changes in the line-up, even if they are lucky enough to hear the name megaphoned by the announcer. This failure of the fans to recognize the players is more noticeable at Shibe Park than in any other city in the major

This is true for the obvious reason that Mack daily is switching his batting order and , utting new men into the game who are unheard of to 99 local patrons out of 100. If the Athletics would adopt the numbering system the chosen few who still keep the turnstiles clicking at 20th and Lehigh would be far better satisfied and would feel that the White Elephant management was doing something at least for the faithful ones, even if it was not giving them a brand of major league baceboll.

Baseball Does Not Have the Football Excuse

THERE was room for some argument in not numbering football players, I though very little at that. However, there are football players who do not care to wear numbers because they believe, whether erroneously or not makes no difference, that they are playing solely for love of the game and not for the public. But in professional baseball the matter is quite different.

Baseball is a public institution, maintained for and by the public. Therefore everything should be done to see that the patrons are treated as well as possible, which, in the last analysis, means they should get their money's worth. Some individual on a football team might refuse to wear a number and get away with it, but if the management of a baseball club wished to have its men numbered there would be no argument from the player.

There is no reason why the professional baseball player should object to being numbered, and as the cost of making this innovation would be negligible, it is difficult to understand why the clubs do not fall in line with the Cleveland club immediately and help the fans enjoy the games more.

Phillies' Bats Keeping Them in Front Rank

WHILE there has been some improvement in Pat Moran's pitching corps recently, the most encouraging thing that has occurred is the increasing offensive strength. The chances for the Phils to capture their second pennant depend largely on the ability of Cravath, Luderus and Paskert to maintain their present batting cip. This time last reason these three sluggers were hitting at a terrific rate. Recently they have been doing the same thing after a very poor start in the

The other members of the Phillics' club have been going along at their accustomed pace, hence the balance of offensive power held by Captain Fred, Gavvy and Dode must be kept on the right side or the champions cannot hope to repeat,

regardless of the improved pitching. In St. Louis the Phillies have been doing well, and it is to be hoped that they will storm the western end of the circuit on this trip as they did on the final swing around the league last September, when they virtually cinched the pennant before meeting Boston on Braves' Field.

Judging the other clubs by their performances in the recent past, the Phillies should be able to return to Philadelphia with a better average than they had when they left. It is not likely that they will overhaul the Brooklyn club before the trip is ended, but they will cut down the Dodgers' present lead and be in a position to assume the leadership, provided they continue to hit well and Alexander is backed up properly by Demarce, Chalmers, Bender, McQuillan and

No Surprise at Action of U. S. N. L. T. A.

OCAL tenn's players were not surprised at the letter handed the various club secretaries by President George T. Adee, of the United States Lawn Tennis Association, regarding the much-discussed amateur rule. Evidently the association intends to stamp out any tendency toward professionalism on the ground of a player's capitalizing his racquet wielding ability.

At the same time it was not surprising that Maurice McLoughlin and Tom Bundy were allowed to continue tournament play until the spring of 1918, in spite of the fact that they defied the association and caused a show-down in the enforce-

It is far more important that the rule which forbids a player's accepting expense money from any person or organization other than his own club be rigidly enforced than that a player be barred from engaging in the tennis-goods business. A man might be a big success in such a venture regardless of his ability on the courts, consequently it is hard to differentiate on the question of capitalizing ability in this respect.

However, there is no argument about the matter when a player is remunerated by a club or summer resort for the purpose of having him compete in the tournament for the benefit of the gate receipts, advertisement or both.

Municipal Golf Has Educative Value

THE increasing popularity of golf in Philadelphia caused by the opening of the I municipal links at Cobb's Creek Park is by no means due solely to the fact that people are able now to play who otherwise never would have gotten a chance. The greatest advantage of a municipal golf course is that people learn something of the game first. After having been disabused of the idea that golf is nothing but an "olo man's game," the convert is in a position to think seriously of purchasing clubs and playing the game.

Throughout Philadelphia both golf and tennis rapidly are taking hold of all classes. This advance began in tennis when hundreds of persons were able to see the game played and to learn of its recreative and healthful possibilities. New courts constantly are being built in all parts of the city. This increase in the playing facilities is educating the people to the game at a rate far in excess of what one would expect in proportion to the actual number of courts.

Any man, woman or child would rather, if physically able, take part in a contest than to see it. Consequently, with golf and tennis open to everybody, Philadelphians daily are becoming devotees of one of the two games. This ability to play the game is the foundation for the ultimate success of any branch of sport. To this fact may be attributed the great popularity of soccer and golf in the British Isles and tennis in Australia.

Yankees Appear to Have Big Edge

BILL DONOVAN has a powerful band of ball tossers at his command now. Nevertheless the American League is on the whole weaker than it was last season, and this accounts to some extent for the big bulge which the Yankees have at present. It is not likely that the world's champions will be able to repeat for two reasons-first, their pitchers are not performing up to expectation, and, secondly. Speaker is no longer with the club.

In short, the Yankees haven't the competition that they would have had if the Red Sox had shown up as well this year as last. There is no attempt made to discount the strength of the New Yorkers; at the same time there is also no reason why the weakened condition of the American League this season should not be taken into account in figuring on the chances of a given club to win the pennant.

A foreign flavor has been added to the New York State lawn tennis tournament now in progress at Utica by the presence of Kumagae and Mikami, champions of Japan. The showing of the Orientals was only fair in the recent tournament at St. Louis; at the same time it must be remembered that they have hardly had time to regain form after their long journey across the Pacific.

Of the many Philadelphians who have helped put the Quaker City on the athletic map, few have done more in that direction than Miss Olga Dorfner, of the Philadelphia Turngemeinde. Miss Dorfner recently defeated the world's great women swimmers in California. Incidentally, she broke the record for the 100yard event, which she had established herself. Yesterday she continued her great work, lowering her own mark for the 190 yards in a 25-foot tank at Oakland, Cal.

Mexico is not popular with Bob Foiwell and By Dickson. They were banking an having Howard Berry on the Penn football team this fall, but he had to go to the front with the N. G P. It is possible that Berry may be able to get back in time for the opening of the season.

lituffy Mefants has the worst record in baseball as a manager. The team he was leading did not win a game while he was in command. His winning percentage is \$, 0, 0). But the team played better ball under his direction than at any time in the last two weeks.



# GOLF ASSOCIATION WILL PUNISH ALL DISOBEDIENT CLUBS

National Body Finds Way to Keep Barred Golfers Out of Competitions

HAVE SUPREME POWER

NEW YORK, July 10 .- Another indication NEW YORK, July 10.—Another indication that the United States Golf Association intends to enforce rigidly the rule which barred Francis Ouimet and other golfers from the amateur ranks, was made public yesterday in the form of an announcement directed to all clubs which are members of the U. S. G. A. It calls their attention to the fact that the U. S. G. A. Executive Committee is empowered to take whatever steps it deems necessary to enexecutive Committee is empowered to take whatever steps it deems necessary to enforce the amateur rule, and ends with the statement that the Executive Committee reserves the right to bar from all U. S. G. A. tournaments all members of any club which permits golfers who have forfeited their amateur status to play in its club tourneys. The text of the announcement follows: To the members of the United States

Your attention is called to section 8 and section 21 of the bylaws of the United States Golf Association, which read as

Section 8. The Executive Committee shall take cognizance of every apparent violation of Section 7 that may come to its attention in any manner whatsoever; it shall carcise absolute discretion in the interpretation and enforcement of the bylaws for the purpose of safeguarding the best interests of the game of golf, and shall have power to inflict such remaites as the circumstances of each case may in its Judgment justify. justify.
Section 21. All entries are subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of this association, and any entry may be rejected by the committee.

Acting in accordance with the authority conferred by these sections of the bylaws, the Executive Committee announces that should any club belonging to the United States Golf Association permit any player whose amateur status has been declared forfeited to compete in its tournaments, the Executive Committee reserves the right to reject all entries from such club in any tournament held by the United States Golf Association.

So far two or three Boston clubs have been the only ones which have allowed Ouimet or any of the other disqualified golfers to compete in their tournaments, and under the ruling just announced all mem-bers of the clubs which have thus offended may be barred from the national amateur championship at Merion in September.

### ENTRIES FOR FOUR POLO TITLES CLOSE TUESDAY

Chairman of National Association Announces Conditions for Three Championships

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BASEBALL TODAY ... TWO GAMES SHIBE PARK

ATHLETICS vs. ST. LOUIS FIRST GAME CALLED AT 1:45 P. M. Tickets on sale at Gimbels' and Spaiding's,

## NICKALLS, YALE COACH, DEFENDS **ENGLISH SYSTEM**

Eli Crew Tutor Says Use of Thole Pins Always Holds Advantage

MAY RETURN NEXT YEAR

Guy Nickalls. Yale's English rowing each, has listened to the broadside of criti-isms leveled at Yale's rowing methods, counters against his critics with a most ef-centive statement. Writing in the last Yale Alumni Weekly, Nickalls tells those who blame the use of thole pins for Yale's naval disasters this year that "fixed thole pins hold all the records in England, in Belgium, in Sweden and for at least four courses in

"When the water is fit for shells to race upon, the thole pin must and always will hold the advantage," he says "When the water is utterly unfit for proper rowing and racing, then proper rowing gear and rigging are naturally out of the question and out of place. The swivel rowicek as used in all sea boats has the advantage, but racing shells are not designed or built for rough water. Bowing in such water is designed. rough water. Rowing in such water is de-prived of all its nice points and resolves itself merely into a trial of animal brute strength as against finesse and polish.

"Yale methods are bound to come in for "Yate methods are bound to come in for much criticism, and it is not our intention to forestail them or ward them off. Our shoulders are broad and we cannot expect to make good every year. Still there is no denying that this has been a disappointing year for Yale rowing. Let it be granted that our new shells were failures and our old shells, which we had to fall back on, weak and flabby." weak and flabby.

Nickalls also thinks that the average undergraduate in this country "expects too much to be done for him and he must learn to do more for himself." A Few Late Books

Philadelphia Girl Swims 100 Yards in Nothing has been done about the gagement of a coach for next year, but Yale men count on Nickalls returning. Of this year's varsity eight the Elis lose only two OAKLAND, Cal., July 10 .- Miss Olga men, ex-Captain Low at No. 3 and Sturte-Porfner, of Philadelphia, broke the Amercan women's record for swimming 100 Nickalls expects a lot from this year's

vards in a 35-yard tank here yesterday by freshman eight, which he boldly says was a better crew than Harvard's first-year men. Nickalls blames the defeat of his winning a special race from Miss Claire Galligan and several other entrants in 1 freshmen upon rough water and the intererence of the yachts and sailboats follow-The previous record, also made by Miss Dorfner, was I minute and 14 seconds, The

#### Didier to Ride Against Americans

Didier to Ride Against Americans What should prove to be the most sensational motor-paced race of the year is scheduled to take place at the Point Breeze motordrome Thursday night, when two of America's best riders, namely. Clarence Carmen and George Wiley, will race against Leon Didier, the Frenchman. The race will be 40 miles, for a sweep-stakes of \$1500. The race is the outcome of a challenge issued by Didier to race any American rider, providing he could furnish his own pacemaker. He claimed the last time he rode at the motordrome that he did not get fair treatment from the pacemaker that was selected for him. Carmen and Wiley accepted his defi, and granted him the privilege of having any whom he choose to pace him, providing they had the same privilege, Didier will be paced by Morein, a fellow countryman; Jimmy Runter will work for Carmen, and Ed Stein, of Boston, will tow Wiley. Gus Lewis Haled Before Court

BALTIMORE. Md., July 10.—A misunderstanding in that he thought the promoters of
his bout with Young Chaney were to pay his
hotel bill, is said to have been the cause of
Gus Lewis, a boxer, of Philadelphia, and his
father, Jacob Besterman, haying to appear before Justice Pachard, at the Central Police Court
yesterday on the charge of fraudulently falling to pay for accommodations to the extent of
a15 at a hotel. Lewis was one of the puglilist
who appeared in the bouts staged at Orlole Park
Saturnias under the auspices of the American
Athletic Association. He and his father were
arrested by city beadquarters detectives, on compiaint of Harry S. Ringgold, of the botel. When
matters were explained and the account was settled the charges against them were dismissed.

### FINE PITCHING PLUS STRONG FIELDING DEFENSE ENOUGH TO BEAT OUT RUGGED ATTACK

attack

If Willard Quits

Red Sox Last Season Played "Inside Ball" and Won, and This Year the Yankees Are Duplicating Work of 1915 Champions

By GRANTLAND RICE-

fense were enough to beat out a rugged at-

tack, even one that was led by Cobb, Craw-

ford and Veach, all tearing the cover off

the ball. Bill Donovan's Yankees are of-

fering about the same proof this season.

They are not leading the league on attack by several notches, but they are getting the best pitching in the game, and back of this superb pitching both infield and out-field are helping to roll back any rival attack.

The rumor still is abroad around the

unbaked landscape that Jess Willard will

If this should happen, there is one logical

procedure in sight—that will be for Frank Moran to face Fred Fulton and for the win-ner of this bout to take on Jack Dillon.

Dillon, having outpointed Moran so de cisively, now holds second place to the mas-sive Kansan. Moran and Fulton are the

two next in line, and those are the ones who start the elimination serimmage.

"The Right of Way," by William Dono-

"The House of Bondage," by Johnny

"Seats of the Mighty," by Wilbert Robin-

He that taketh five shots in a bunker and admitteth to five strokes is greater than he

that taketh a city.

It is better to dwell with a brawling woman in a narrow house than with the golfer who describeth every shot around the

How would you like to be a pitcher, out on the daily job, and have no other men o face Jackson, Speaker and Cobb?

Which serves as a reminder that Ty Cobb

is out to pilfer the 100 bases he narrowly missed reaching last year. Ty was intent upon reaching the 100 mark last season. He

fell short by three steals. Now, after a slow start, with the season about half gone, he is close upon the 40 mark, with at least

a chance to smash his 19:6 record-a rec ord 10 steals beyond the Milan mark of few years back.

Captain Huston, of the Yanks, being an army man, always has believed in preparedness. What other ball club could lose two

Maxims of the 19th Hole

THE Red Sox proved last season that of its star outfielders and still have left one of the best outfields in either league? The Trainers My name is Trouble-I'm a busy bloke-I am the test of Courage—and of Class; I bind the coward to a bitter yoke, I drive the craven from the crowning pass;

Weaklings I crush before they come to fame,
But as the red star guides across the night I train the stalwart for a better game I drive the brave into a harder fight.

My name to Hard Luck-wrecker of rare

At the start of the season the Yankees, via the dope, were awarded fourth place, well back of the Tigers. White Sox and Red Sox. Today they are the most feared and the most formidable club in the league, despite harder luck than any other club has faced. And a club that can stand up under such adverse fortune isn't very likely to break later on when the harder test comes on the next Western trip.

My name is Hard Luck—wrecker dreams—

I follow all who seek the open from the shadow where the far light for those who seek to know the east quitters I break before they reach the fact where the red field schoes we drams.

I build the fighter for the final test and mold the brave for any driverse. drams—
I folion all who seek the open fray:
I am the shadow where the Iar light gleams
For those who seek to know the easy way;
Quitters I break before they reach the creat,
But where the red field echoes with the

And mold the brave for any drive that

My name is Sorrow-I shall come to all To block the surfeit of an endless joy: Along the Sable Road I pay my call Before the sweetness of success can cloy: And weaker souls shall weep amid the

And fall before me, broken and diamayed; But braver hearts shall know that I belong And take me in, serene and unafraid.

My name is Defcat-but through the bitter

To those who know I'm something more than friend;

For I can build beyond the wrath of might And drive away all yellow from the blend;

For those who quit, I am the final blow,

But for the brave who seek their chance to learn I show the way, at last, beyond the foe

To where the scarlet flames of triumph

It seems that the serene spirit and friendliness for umpires stayed in Johnny Evers' system until the combination began to fes-ter. After that Johnny was no longer re-

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