

WASHINGTON'S STAR HURLER HAS ANOTHER CHANCE TO WIN PENNANT FOR HIS CLUB

WALTER JOHNSON'S AMBITION TO TWIRL IN WORLD SERIES MAY BE REALIZED THIS YEAR

Senators Still in Race, and If Star Pitcher Works Every Other Day After August 15, Then Watch Washington

WALTER JOHNSON'S ambition is to pitch in a world's series and he often has said that he would go to the mound every other day from the middle of August until the pennant was won or hopelessly lost by Washington. Since Johnson has been with the Senators they have had only one real chance to win the pennant. That chance came in 1915 and it was not Johnson's fault that Washington did not overhaul the Red Sox. He won 18 consecutive games and pitched in 50, winning 32 and losing only 12. The complete collapse of the rest of the pitching staff and a sensational winning streak by the Red Sox prevented Johnson from reaching his goal.

Sizing up the Senators on paper and comparing them with several other American League clubs, there appeared to be little chance for Griffith's team to figure in the pennant race this season, but the fact remains that Johnson has carried the team within striking distance of the leaders and unless the Senators take a sudden slump on August 15 Griffith's team is likely to be just where it is today—within four games of first place.

If this should happen, the fans can expect a marvelous exhibition of hurling from the two greatest pitchers in the game, as it is likely that Alexander the Great will stage the same act in the National League about that time, as it is becoming apparent that it will require better pitching than the Phils have had to date to shake off the Braves.

Baseball men claim that it is impossible for a man to pitch every other day for six weeks without ruining his arm, and the case of Ed Walsh would seem to bear this out, but it is certain that Johnson will try to pull this trick, which is unheard of in modern baseball.

If Any Pitcher Is Capable, Johnson Is the Man

THE wonderful Washington pitcher is well fixed financially and a premature retirement from the game will prove no hardship. As he has often said that he would sacrifice several years of his career to pitch in a world's series, Johnson will jump at the chance to pitch the Senators to a pennant even at the cost of ruining that wonderful arm.

If there is any pitcher in baseball capable of turning this trick Johnson is the man. He pitches with greater ease than any twirler in the game and can recuperate after a hard game quicker, as has been proved on numerous occasions. And if Johnson makes up his mind to give everything he has to the Senators in a mad dash for the flag, the fans at last will have a hot act loose with all his terrific speed. When he does bat averages will shrink and victories will pile up for the Senators if he can hold the pace and Griffith can present two other twirlers who can show a high class brand of hurling.

Pitching is and always has been Washington's greatest asset, and there appears to be no reason why Harper, Boehling, Gallia and Ayres should not be able to keep the Senators within hailing distance of first place for three more weeks. New York and Cleveland are badly crippled, while Detroit and Chicago, two teams with enough natural power to be way out in front, have been playing erratic ball.

Washington's present position and the opportunity it will have to win the pennant if it can keep within striking distance of the leaders until the time arrives for Johnson to start his grind is another illustration of what good pitching and hustling can accomplish.

Moran Made No Attempt to Get Sallee

MANAGER MORAN was "quoted" in Pittsburgh as saying that he was very much disappointed at not landing Harry Sallee, the St. Louis pitcher who has just joined the Giants. According to the "interview," Moran said that he had offered either George Chalmers or Erskine Mayer to the Cardinals for the erratic southpaw. Moran indignantly denied that he had been in the field for Sallee's services, which is entirely correct.

When the Phillies were in Brooklyn on their last trip Sallee had just been suspended and Moran was asked if he intended to bid for him, but replied, "Mr. Britton, owner of the Cardinals, is in New York at the present time, and I guess I could get him by taking over his contract, but I don't want any players of the Sallee type. Let some one else have him. I guess he is a great pitcher, but he has never shown me anything. He always has looked bad against our club. No I don't want Sallee and would not take him for a gift."

Yesterday's game between the Phils and Pirates was postponed on account of rain, and much to the surprise of the Philly management the Pittsburgh club decided to play the game off on the next trip. Manager Callahan evidently believes that the Pirates still have a chance to get into the race and thinks that a double-header later on may be better than at the present time, although the Corsairs are drawing well right now.

Rowdyism Crops Out in National League

THE National League evidently is becoming envious of the American League's reputation for staging battle royals upon the field. Yesterday Catcher Koehler, of the Giants, started a fight with Mike Gonzales, the Cardinal's Cuban catcher. Before the disorder was quelled a riot call had been issued and a few suspensions are likely to result.

St. Louis players claim that McGraw told Koehler to "get" Gonzales, because the Giants' leader was peeved at the way the Cardinals were showing up his team. Gonzales is one of the most inoffensive players in the game and it is a pity that he is the victim of the "riding" tactics of opposing players in almost every city.

Robertson Likes McCollough, Champion Miler

LAWSON ROBERTSON, the new track and cross-country coach at the University of Pennsylvania, is a strong admirer of Robert McCollough, the two-mile runner of the Englewood, N. J., High School. Robertson referred to the national interscholastic track and field championship in Newark and saw McCollough win the two-mile race. "I would like to have that lad at Penn," said Robbie. "He would be a world-beater if he was trained for the quarter and half-mile. He is running too far now." McCollough is only 17 years of age. Robbie would like to handle him early, so as to put him through the right course of training.

Bill McGowan, the young Wilmington umpire who officiated in the majority of the Penn games this spring, has made good in the International League and is being hailed as the most competent umpire on the Barrow pay roll since "Silk" O'Loughlin broke in. Those who watched McGowan officiate this spring predict that it will not be long before the youngster attracts the attention of a major league. McGowan is the youngest umpire who ever broke into baseball, being only 21 years of age now.

According to the pitching records Nick Culp has won nine games and lost one, Mogridge has five victories and one defeat, while Markle's record is four and one. On the other hand, Bob Shawkey is credited with 10 victories and seven defeats, which would lead one to believe that the trio of youngsters have been the Yankees' mainstays in the race, but as a matter of fact, Shawkey has been the star of Donovan's staff. The wonderful relief pitching of the former Mackman has been largely responsible for the excellent percentages shown by the youngsters, as he has saved game after game in which they were weakening.

The Southern League has a player limit rule with the much abused "ineligible clause" which is kicking up trouble in the circuit. As is the case in the National League, several clubs are taking advantage of the "ineligible" list and each owner is objecting because the other is overworking the privilege. As a result the rule is to be done away with at the end of the present season. This is a course the National League would do well to follow.

A. B. Richardson got all the press notices after the first day of the Grand American Tray-shooting Handicap at Holmesburg Junction yesterday, but those who attended the event declare that the real feature was the battle between Lester German, the former ball player, and Arthur King, of Toms River, N. J. As both men are professionals they were ineligible for the Western handicap, but were high for the day, each missing only one target.

An X-ray examination showed that Frank Baker has two broken ribs which will keep him out of the game for a month. The injury to Baker, coming right after the accidents to Maisel and Gilhooly, is a blow to the Yankees' pennant hopes. The home-run king was just beginning to strike his stride and his long drives played an important part in the recent victories of Donovan's team.

Guy Morton will be here with the Indians tomorrow, but there is little chance of his getting back into the game during the series. Which is excellent news to Mack's colleagues.



CYNWYD WIDENS GAP FOR LEAD IN INTERCLUB TENNIS

Draws Nearer Title by Taking Five Matches From Germantown

MERION TEAM IS VICTOR

Cynwyd drew still closer to the interclub tennis championship in the first division by winning all five matches from Germantown at Manheim yesterday. Germantown's coat of whitewash, however, was not administered without considerable trouble, for the singles matches between Wallace P. Johnson and Stanley W. Pearson and W. T. Tilden, 2d, and L. C. Wister, were stubbornly contested, particularly the former. Pearson put up a splendid fight against Johnson, for after each had won a set, Johnson, the first, 6-4, and Pearson, the second, 6-2, they played what was probably a record set for the competition in the deciding game after game was reeled off, and although both men were within a point of the match on several occasions the games mounted until 13 all was called. Then Johnson succeeded in winning two games in succession and captured the set, 15-13.

Wister furnished stiff opposition to Tilden. Standing toe to toe with his opponent, he lost the first set, 8-7, but he evened matters by taking the second, 6-4. In the third Tilden speeded up his service, and won handily, 6-2.

Merion captured second place from Germantown in the first division of the Interclub Tennis League by defeating Philadelphia at Haverford yesterday by five matches to none. J. Armstrong proved too strong for Alex. Thayer in an interesting match, 6-4, 6-4. C. Stanley Rogers and J. M. Wister had quite a session, for although Rogers won the first set by six games to four, Wister made him work exceedingly hard to take the second, 8-6. After winning the first set from J. W. Wear by six games to three, the task of Rowland Evans, Jr., looked like an easy one, but Wear showed considerable improvement in the second set and only lost, 6-7. Exactly the same result was seen in the match between J. C. Bell, Jr., and E. C. Casard, the former being returned the winner.

Owing to the rain only four of the five matches in the second division Interclub Tennis League met between Philadelphia and Merion were played at St. Martin's yesterday, the doubles being held over. Merion won three of the contests.

JAPS IN PT. JUDITH TENNIS

Nippin Stars Will Play Craig Biddle and Rowland Hazard Today

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I., July 18.—The annual lawn tennis tournament at the Point Judith Country Club began yesterday with play in the preliminary rounds of the men's singles. Ichijyu Kusumaga and Hachishiro Mikami, the Japanese stars, are entered, and will play Craig Biddle, of Philadelphia, and Rowland Hazard, of Peacedale, R. I., today. E. H. Whitney is drawn against Stanley Henshaw, Watson Washburn against W. H. Sweet, and Whiting Prenton will oppose S. Hinman Bird.

MANGHAN, YOUTH, LEADS IN WESTERN GOLF MEET

San Antonio Lad Shows Way in First Half of Qualifying Round

DEL MONTE, CAL., July 18.—C. S. Manghan, a youth of 18, who carried the colors of the San Antonio (Tex.) Golf and Country Club, proved the star of the first half of the qualifying round in the sixteenth annual championship of the Western Golf Association yesterday. Manghan negotiated the course in 71, two strokes less than were required by Heinrich Schmidt, of the Clearmont Golf Country Club, whose card of 73 carried off the morning honors. Manghan's long carry from the tee, coupled with his excellence in general field play, has made him the favorite for the entire qualifying round, which ends today. Low scores were not the rule yesterday, for the majority of the touring and players who are considered likely candidates for the championship flight, did not play. In the case of the golf J. B. Worthington, of the Mid-Surrey Golf Club, England, who is the holder of the Irish championship, required 74 strokes for his round, and also did E. S. Armstrong, the California champion. The 64 players turning in the lowest cards in today's play will compete tomorrow, and the same 18 holes and the lowest 32 of these will compose the championship flight.

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

The regular 1916-17 boxing season is about six weeks off. In preparation for the coming campaign Frankie White will appear tonight in the first of two or three matches before the curtain rises. Young Jack Toland will be White's opponent in the star scrap at the Ivan. Last year local big club matchmakers were forced to bring out-of-town boxers here for headline bouts with star performers, as no Philadelphia product stood out as a "cash" man. It while continues his good work as a prelim pug of last season is probably will develop into a major miter.

For the first time in the history of Astoria a Spanish leader will show in professional competition. He is Julio Rodriguez, from Colombia, South America, and will answer the guns as Young Julio. He will be pitted against Young Tommy Owens in one of the Ryan's prelims tonight. Abe Kabanoff and Buck Cannon, of Pittsburgh, met in the semi. Other bouts follow: Young Lawrence vs. Frankie Coster and Henry Hinkle vs. Al Fox.

Tommy Jamison, of Schuylkill, meets another Smoky Hollow antagonist in Darby Caspar at the Ivan tonight, and he will try to repeat his victory scored over Darby's fellow district boxer.

Mickey Gallagher. On the other hand, a win for Caspar will make him the best lightweight in the follow, surpassing the Mick.

"Reddy Jake" is the nom de plume of one of the syndicate on the prelim program at the Model tonight. Eddie Palmer will try to knock his brick-topped head off. In the other numbers Jimmy Perry beats Dick Morris, Eddie Rando opposes Joe Marko and Al Edwards meets Frankie Kaul.

While several Philadelphia boxers are "making" service in khaki at the border, a fight manager also is at the front. Harry Mitchell, a local featherweight boxer, and his handler, Walter F. Wilson, are both shouldering a sun in Company H, 84 Regiment, at Fort Bliss.

Eddie Mack knocked out again! This time the pantomime champion journeyed to Atlantic City and because of the shark scare more than 2000 persons crowded around the imaginary ring on the beach and saw Mack knocked out by Ernie by "Kid Wave" in the second round. The imaginary "Wave" was "too rough," although Mack, "perfect" then again the sun was "hot." However, Ed admits he is still the champion.

FLEMING'S EXPERIENCE TOO MUCH FOR EDDIE HINCKLE

Loser Fights Game Battle—Al Wagner Beats Bill Benckert

Eddie Hinkle, fighting gamely, was outboxed by Buck Fleming in the final bout at the Broadway Athletic Club last night. There was not an instant that Hinkle was not trying, but his opponent knew too much about the finer points of the game. The match was made at 136 pounds, 8 o'clock, but Fleming failed to appear to weigh in. Hinkle scaled 141 pounds, fully dressed. The boys were rematched for next week. Al Wagner met out a being to Willie Benckert in the semi-final. Johnnie McLaughlin defeated Eddie Rando, Joe Dorsey knocked out Young Stinger in four rounds, while Jimmy Hines and Charles Matthews were stopped by the referee in the first session, as the latter knew too much for his opponent.

Now that Fred Welch was baffled in his attempt to enter the Old People's Home and make an unprovoked assault on Harlem Tommy Murphy, the champion has agreed to meet Henry Leonard at New York, July 24. It would not be surprising, however, if Frederick contracted some malady or other that will keep him away from the ring on the night of the 23rd.

TENNIS PLAYERS TAKE SHOTS AT HOLE IN THE NET

Harry and Beners Afford Plenty of Amusement for Plymouth Crowd

"BILL" ROWLAND BANTERS

William F. Harry, of Overbrook and Merion, believes in sport for sport's sake, winning or losing. He applies this principle to tennis and has a royal good time, as do the galleries that have been attracted to Norristown by the Schuylkill Valley championships at the Plymouth Country Club.

Harry's system is to either win the point himself or make the other fellow lose it. Very simple, isn't it? He was having the time of his life in tournament match with Albert Beners, of the home club, the other day. He has a vicious forehand drive that is very good, when it is good, and equally bad when it is otherwise. In this match it was about 50-50. Finally, after many attacks, the top of the net in the center of the court gave way, exposing a wide, deep gash. Thereafter all rules were suspended and each player strove to put the ball through the opening. A casual visitor might have easily imagined that the inmates of the State Hospital were out for an airing, until finally Warren Irish wandered over to learn what it was all about, and when he saw the damage that had been inflicted on his net he immediately collapsed. Upon reviving he called for a needle and string and repaired the damage. Thereafter the match proceeded according to Hoyle, or whoever is responsible for the rules of lawn tennis, and Harry finally emerged victorious. Harry led in bull's eyes 3 to 1.

For pure humor tennis "Bill" Rowland takes first prize. Bill likes to hang around the score board and cut in with a few side remarks on the other fellow's tale of woe. He even "kicks" himself. He was playing Tom Leonard in the third round at Plymouth and one of the spectators strolled over to see how the match was coming along. When asked the score Bill said: "He took the first set, 6-0, but I am getting the second." "How do you stand in the second?" was the next question. "Oh, he's leading, 5-4." Bill then promptly lost the next game and with it the set and match.

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BE IT EITHER AT THE BAT OR ON THE FIELD 222

O, I CAN PITCH AND CATCH OR DO MOST ANYTHING AT ALL 2222

AND I COULDN'T COUNT THE BASES WHICH I STEAL 222

DON'T TALK OF COBB OR JACKSON, I GOT 'EM BEATEN BAD 222

AND COMPARED WITH ME TRIS SPEAKER IS A HAM 222

BUT THE FUNNY THING ABOUT IT IS THE THING WHICH MAKES ME MAD. 222

I'M THE ONLY ONE THAT KNOWS HOW GOOD I AM !! 222 222 222