

RETURN TO FORM OF GEORGE CHALMERS MAY DECIDE 1916 CHAMPIONSHIP IN PHILS'S FAVOR

CHALMERS'S FIRST VICTORY OF YEAR STRENGTHENS PHILS'S CHANCES TO WIN PENNANT

Big Spit-Baller Likely to Regain Confidence and Pitch Great Ball for the Rest of the Season

NO DOUBT many of the fans who attended yesterday's game between the Phillies and Pittsburgh left the park muttering something about its being nearly time George Chalmers won a game, as his victory over the Pirates was the first he has won this season...

Moran felt sure that the break would come, and it did yesterday. Chalmers did not pitch a game of ball of which he can brag, but he did better than the score would indicate.

The game itself did not mean so much to the Phillies, so far as the standing of the teams is concerned, as Brooklyn succeeded in downing St. Louis, but the moral effect of the triumph is great.

National League players agree that Chalmers is a great pitcher "when he is right," but George has not been right. He does not lack the nerve, as he has proved time and again that he is one of the greatest pitchers in baseball...

Chalmers Was Always in the Hole

YESTERDAY'S game was a trying one for Chalmers, and several times it was evident to the spectators that he was on the verge of cracking, but he came back in grand shape, finishing the game in brilliant fashion.

The Philly players, and the fans also, lacked confidence in Chalmers at the start of the game, but after he had gotten himself together and pulled out of a bad-hole in the fifth inning, a different feeling prevailed.

At the start of the fourth inning the Phillies were leading by the score of 1 to 1, when Chalmers passed Farmer, the first man up for the Pirates.

This error of judgment appeared to rattle Chalmers and he uncorked a wild pitch, permitting both runners to advance. Johnston brought Farmer home with a sacrifice fly, while Costello moved over to third after the catch.

Chalmers Should Gain Confidence

THE victory will give Chalmers great confidence, and when he has it there are few better pitchers, as he proved conclusively in several critical games last season, the most important of which was the third contest of the world's series with the Red Sox...

While the effect of the victory upon Chalmers is the most important consideration from a local standpoint, the manner in which the score was tied and the game eventually won also is of great interest.

Good was directly responsible for three of the five runs tallied by the champions. In the first inning he scored Niehoff with a long sacrifice fly to Carey and in the sixth inning he tripled, with Stock on second, and then scored the tying run on Whitted's out.

Emslie's Poor Decision Helped Phillies

PITTSBURGH has been beaten two of the three games played during the present series, but the Pirates have made an excellent impression on the fans. The team has improved 50 per cent since its first appearance in this city and Jimmy Callahan deserves all the praise being showered upon him by the scribes and players throughout the circuit.

Callahan claims that Umpire Emslie's decision at third base in the seventh inning, when he called Wagner out on a force play, was an outrage, and that it deprived the Pirates of the game.

Eddie Burns appeared to have a great deal of trouble handling Chalmers's delivery, particularly in the early innings, and it also seemed as if he was calling for too many curve balls. No doubt this was due to the fact that Chalmers had a hard time controlling his fast ball, as it was "sailing" away from him.

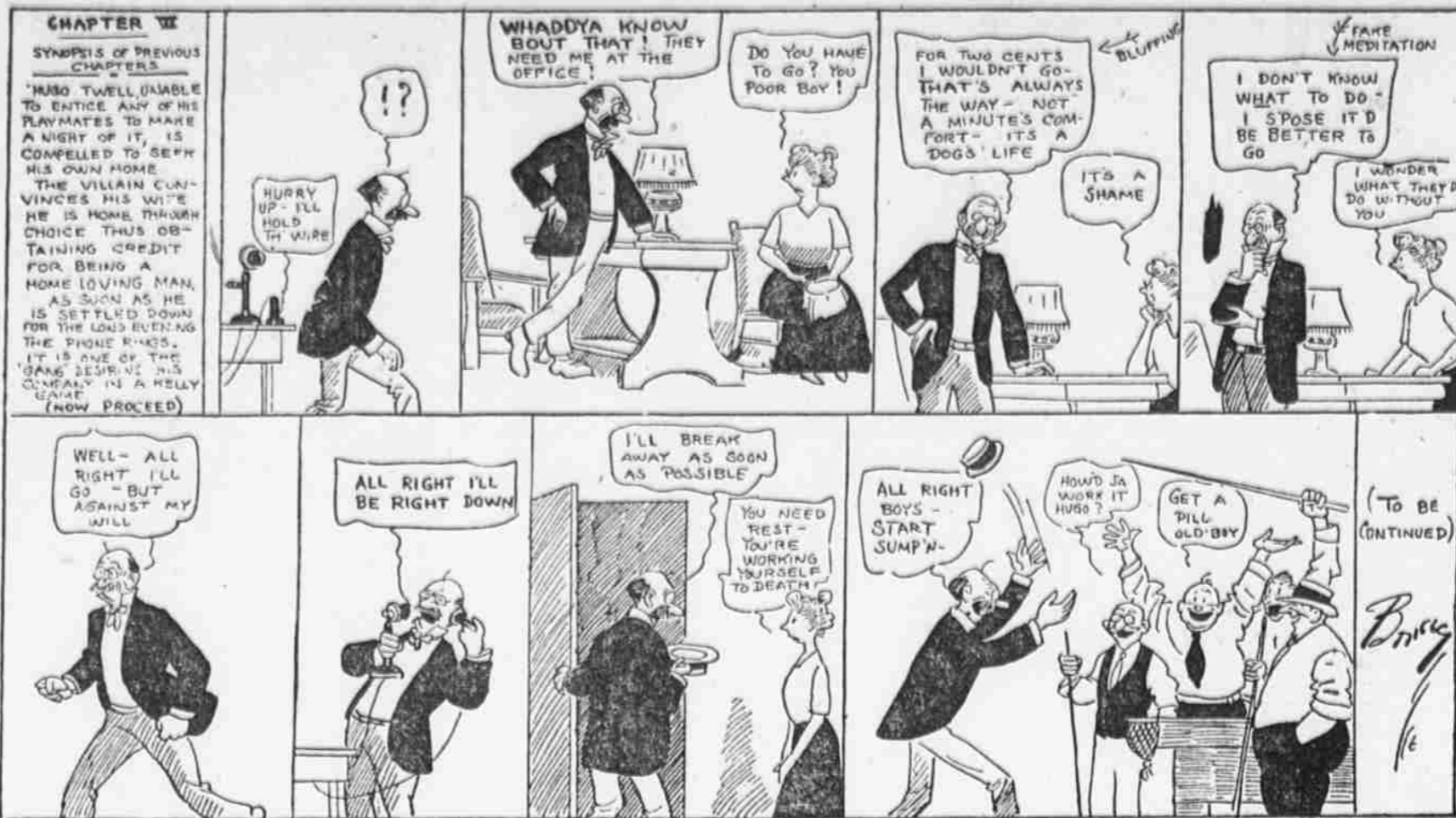
The grand work of the Pittsburgh pitching staff has mystified the fans, as they had never heard a great deal about any of Callahan's twirlers, excepting Mannaux. No doubt Callahan owes his success to his patience with the young stars.

Will Klem declares that it is anybody's race in the National League. He says all the teams appear to be evenly balanced, and he insists that he never saw a more interesting race.

Dave Hancock figured in two lightning-fast double plays in the eighth and ninth innings, which more than atoned for his wild throw to the plate. His stop of Rial's drive, with Schultz on first, in the eighth and the rapid relay to Niehoff was the feature of the game.

As a rule, the first signs of the slowing down of a veteran can be seen in his legs and throwing arm, according to veterans of the game. If such is the case, Wagner has years of major league service before him.

IT HAPPENS IN THE BEST REGULATED FAMILIES



LEONARD 6-TO-5 FAVORITE OVER WELSH TONIGHT

Bets of 1 to 5 That Contender Scores K. O. Are Being Placed

CHAMPIONSHIP AT STAKE

NEW YORK, July 28.—Benny Leonard was a 6-to-5 favorite in the betting over Freddy Welsh, whom he meets tonight in a 19-round bout in the open-air park in Brooklyn.

Perfect weather prevails today, insuring the bout tonight. It is said that the crowd will go beyond 15,000. General admission is \$1. The seat prices ranged from \$2 up to \$10 for the ring-side boxes.

The possibility that the lightweight championship may change hands has aroused remarkable interest in the bout. This will be the second meeting between Welsh and Leonard, and although the first bout took place more than a year ago, Welsh remembers clearly the lacing he received on that occasion from the clever and hard-hitting New Yorker.

Title May Shift There is just a possibility that the lightweight crown may be shifted to the head of Leonard after tonight's encounter—but little probability, Welsh knows well the grave danger of engaging Leonard a second time, and he has prepared for tonight's bout as he seldom has prepared himself before.

Training camps' reports always indicate the glowing condition of a boxer, sometimes with more conviction than truth, but this time Welsh has prepared to stand off Leonard. He recalls the fate of George Chip, who lost his title here to Al McCoy. And just as earnestly Leonard conditioned himself for perhaps the best opportunity he will ever have of winning the lightweight championship.

It is that championship that makes the bout tonight interesting. Welsh is not the type of boxer the fight-loving public flock to see, but there will be a big crowd present, many hoping that Leonard will produce the sleep-inducing punch.

Nearly every boxing follower is familiar with the style of the rivals. Welsh might well be classed as a boxer, although a puncher for he is undoubtedly the weakest puncher who ever dominated the lightweight field. But he is wonderfully clever, so clever that even Jim Driscoll, who was regarded at one time as the shiftest man in the ring, could not cope with his skill.

Leonard is Clever Leonard is an exceptionally clever boy, and in addition can hit with tremendous force. It is not long ago that he was accused of carrying horseshoes in his gloves, so hard did he hit one Shamus O'Brien, of Yonkers.

The only handicap under which the local favorite will labor is weight. The bout was arranged at catchweights, which means that Welsh may have from two to three pounds advantage over his younger antagonist. Leonard is expected to enter the ring weighing a little more than 123 pounds, and Welsh will probably tip the beam at about 126 pounds.

Leonard did not give up training until yesterday, when he piled stake at Mt. Kisco and prepared to come to New York this afternoon. The youngster is just as hard as outdoor exercise can make any athlete. The title holder, who conditioned himself at Douglaston, L. I., never looked better before a fight than he did yesterday afternoon. There was a twinkle in his eyes as he went through his final gymnasium work, and he appeared swifter than he has been for many months.

Emerick Signed by the Dodgers MARYSVILLE, Pa., July 28.—Harper Emerick, star pitcher of the Newport team of the Duquesne-Perry League, has been signed by the Brooklyn Nationals. Emerick relies chiefly on speed for his effectiveness, although he has good curve.

NO AMERICAN LEAGUE CLUB WILL REQUIRE 100 VICTORIES TO CAPTURE FLAG THIS YEAR

Red Sox and Tigers Passed Century Mark in 1915, But Team That Wins 90 This Season Will Triumph, Says Rice

By GRANTLAND RICE

AT THIS date just a year ago the Tigers and the Red Sox were starting their big drive which swept them far on beyond the receding White Sox and which carried both clubs far into the lead.

The two clubs fought along at almost even terms. At the end of the year Boston had won 103 games and Detroit had put away 100 victories. They were the class of the league.

For 1916 Boston lost Tris Speaker, the club's leading star. Moreover, Boston had several of her best pitchers in poor shape for the better part of the first two months. The Tigers were not weakened by the loss of any star. Apparently the club's strength was about the same.

Yet Boston, minus Speaker, has done far better than her main rival of a year ago. Detroit won 100 games last season. She will have to arise and move at top speed to win 90 this year. With only 62 games left the Tigers must win more than 40 victories to reach the 90 mark. There is hardly a chance in the world they will bag another 100. To do this they would need an average spin of five out of six until October. But no club will require 100 victories to achieve an American League triumph this coming fall. The ball club that can gather in 90 victorious starts will have all the chance there is to meet National League competition for the main prize at the end of the highway.

Famous Lines "What," queries an Earnest Reader, "do you consider the one best line in the language?"

There isn't any one best line that you ever heard of. And then again a lot of it depends upon the angle of one's brow. Here is a good Low-Iron choice: "Hit 'em where they ain't!"

Here are a few Higher-Brow choices: "Till Time, that aged Nurse, focked me to patience."

"A voice that was softer than silence." "Dear as remembered kisses after death." "It seemed like the ceasing of exquisite music."

But Will He? Freddie Welsh, we observe, is to box Charley White 20 rounds in Denver on Labor Day.

This sounds interesting enough. But Freddie was to box White 10 rounds as long as he believed he could employ his

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RIVER YACHTSMEN START ANNUAL CRUISE TOMORROW

Fleet of Power Crafts to Enter Bay and Off-Shore Races

One of the "big" events in the Delaware River Yacht Racing Association schedule for the season is the annual cruise, in connection with which several important races will be held. Tomorrow the powerboats will get under way from the anchorage of the Keystone Yacht Club, at Tacony on the Delaware River, and after racing to the Salem Yacht Club, Salem, N. J., the flotilla will spend until August 6 cruising and racing, intermingled with which will be visits and entertainments at Cape May and Ocean City.

The Regatta Committee has worked hard to make the cruise a success, and the skipper of the different yachts and their parties owe whatever pleasure they may derive from the trip on the Delaware River, the bay and the Atlantic Ocean to the following men: Chairman J. B. Yarnall, Harold A. Brenner, Joseph W. Brookhead, John W. Reynolds, H. L. Jarvis, Regatta Committee; John C. Vanderclohe, H. B. Hills, Arthur McDougal, assistant measurers; E. C. Headley and George C. Krusen, official timers.

Other Famous Lines "Strike tub!" "To be or not to be." "Got the makin'?" "Wote's the score?" "A hop on his fast one."

The Moving Finger Writes Back of the scenes one night after a double exhibition we recall, not so many seasons ago, looking at two men. Apparently, they were stalwarts beyond all competition. We had never before and we never have since seen two such physical specimens. They looked fit to rule on forever in their realms.

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Germany Today WILLIAM C. BULLITT, of the Public Ledger staff, now in Berlin, has written an intensely interesting account of how the German is carrying the colossal burden of the war. In a story which has suffered surprisingly little at the hands of the censor, he describes the changed face of Berlin, the quiet indifference with which Germans treat Americans, the non-existence of the alleged "food riots" we have read so much about and the awful, enveloping depression which covers the whole populace. His article is a graphic picture of things as they are, without the slightest regard for what we have previously been told of the internal condition of Germany. SUNDAY'S PUBLIC LEDGER

DRIVER OF PACE WINNER FINED A GRAND CIRCUS

Gosnell Pays \$100 for Not Riding Out Third Heat With Single G.

GRAND CHIMES WINNER

DETROIT, July 28.—Some of the best and fastest racing of the week's program was seen at the Grand Circuit meeting here yesterday. The free-for-all pace, however, on the day's card, went to Single G. which won the first two heats and finished second to Russell Boy in the third.

In the first heat Single G. went into the lead at the half and held it to the finish with Braden Direct and Russell Boy as close together a few lengths back that only the judges could place them respectively second and third.

This heat was the fastest of the week, 2:00 1/4, and the last half of it was covered in 58 seconds flat. Single G. led all the way around in the second heat, and although pressed by Braden Direct in the last few rods, won shoulders ahead.

In the third mile Single G. took the lead at the start and held it to the last turn. Here Russell Boy seemed to have more in reserve, and won in a driving finish, with Single G. second and Judge Ormonde third.

Box R. took three heats of the Hotel Griswold Stake for 2:10 pacers at \$1000 with ease. He showed his class in the second heat, taking the going easy to the last turn, where Valentine let him out. Here he left the field at least 60 feet behind and won easily.

Player Fined \$100 for Striking Umpire MUSKOGEE, Mich., July 28.—Louis Duncan, centre fielder of the Grand Rapids Central League team, has been fined \$100 and given a severe scolding in Circuit Court here after pleading guilty to having assaulted Umpire Robert Shuster during a game between Grand Rapids and Muskegon recently. Duncan struck the umpire so hard that he was rendered unconscious.

Oldring's Homer Wins in Ninth CHICAGO, July 28.—Rube Oldring's home run with the bases full in the ninth crown'd a seven-run rally and secured a 7-6 defeat for New York yesterday. Score, 8 to 6.

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