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CLEVELAND "DARK HORSE" OF AMERICAN LEAGUE PENNANT RACE WITH MORTON IN FORM

RETURN OF GUY MORTON WILL MAKE CLEVELAND CONTENDER IN AMERICAN LEAGUE RACE

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Indians Have Kept Close to Lead, Despite Absence of Wonderful Hurler for Nine Weeks, and Are Due for Spurt

FTHE return of Guy Morton to the Cleveland Indians completely changes the pennant aspects in the American League. Two weeks ago, when the Indians were in this city, Robert McRoy, vice president and the real boss of the Cleveland team under the new regime, admitted that it was doubtful whether this wonderful youngster would be able to pitch again this season, but Morton's arm has responded to treatment, and he is now in perfect trim. To win from the Athletics is not an unusual feat, but the fact that Morton showed just as much as at any time this season for seven innings means that he has entirely recovered from his injury and is ready for regular work.

The Indians are one and a half games away from first place at the present time, and when one considers that Fohl has been able to keep the team within striking distance of the leaders with the team badly crippled, there is every reason to believe that the Indians are due for a spurt. If Cleveland can keep its position through the swing around the East, which starts in a week, the Indians will look like the best bet in Johnson's league, simply because Morton is right.

Morton was out of the game for nine weeks prior to yesterday. Ills absence compelled Fohl to work Covaleskie so hard that he soon lost his effectiveness, and is only returning to form now. Morton is the leading pitcher of the American League and a youngster capable of going to the mound every other day for a month when he is right. His loss meant just as much to the Indians as the loss of Alexander would to the Phillies, Pfeffer to Brooklyn, Johnson to Washington or the star and mainstay would to any other staff.

The moral effect of Morton's absence also was felt by the Indians. When Alexander is right the Phillies feel reasonably certain that they can get the jump on the opposing teams by taking the first game of the series, and they also feel that the Nebraskan can be called upon as relief pitcher and save many games in the closing days of the race. Without him the Phils would be weakened 35 per cent, and so it was with Cleveland when Morton was injured.

Red Sox and Cleveland Have Bast P lanced Teams

ON PAPER the Indians do not seem to be as strong as the White Sox, Red Sox or Browns, but the fact remains that Fohl's team, even in a crippled condition, has been able to hold its own, while it outclassed the field until Morton was injured. Morton won eleven games up to the second week in June, a record which was equalled by no other major league pitcher excepting Alexander. When Morton was injured he was one game behind Alexander in games won, and had lost one less, so it is easy to see just what his absence meant to the Indians. They enjoyed a four-game lead on the day that Morton was compelled to leave a game because he strained a tendon in his arm.

The Browns have proved beyond a doubt that they are going to be very much in the race, and the recent spurt of the White Sox would indicate that Rowland's team has at last found its stride. We are inclined to believe, however, that the White Sox spurt was due more to the weak opposition present-1 by the Athletics and New York than to exceptional playing by Rowland's men.

All teams have found the crippled Yankees and the tail-end Mackmen easy, and Chicago climbed into the lead more because of the poor work of the eastern teams than to their own brilliant playing. The White Sox are considered the favorite by many critics because they have a long stretch of home games, but so have Cleveland and St. Louis, and we believe that they will both prove stronger teams in a pinch than the White Sox.

St. Louis has gone beyond the "flash stage," and every contender fears Jones's team, but it has yet to prove that it has the balance so noticeable in the Red Sox and the Indians. The faus have marveled at the ability of the Red Sox to climb into the race after losing Speaker, and they also have wondered how Cleveland has stayed up with the leaders, but balance is the answer. In a race which may not be decided until the last week of the season, balance is a wonderful asset, and for this reason Boston and Cleveland seem to have the best chance, now that the Indians have their full strength in the field.

Brooklyn Refuses to Crack

NOTHER week has passed, and Brooklyn is still holding its lead in the A National League, with the Phillies and Braves unable to gain. It is becoming apparent that the only way the Phillies and Boston can overhaul Brooklyn is to pull the Dodgers down when these teams meet Robinson's league leaders, as the western teams have proved too weak to offer much opposition against the three pennant contenders of the East.

The Phillies must keep right on fighting for every game, hoping for a slump on the part of the Dodgers in the West, which would enable them to get close enough to overhaul Robinson's band by beating them decisively in the eight games which are scheduled between the two teams in the closing weeks of the season. It also is possible that the Phillies can pick up a couple of games this week by defeating New York while Boston is playing Brooklyn.

To date the Phillies have had little success against the Dodgers, winning only of the fourteen games played between the t



FRANK SLOMAN, SENSATIONAL SPRINTER FROM PACIFIC COAST. NOT TO ENTER PENNSYLVANIA

Middle-Distance Star, Who Gave Meredith a Great Battle, Will Pass Up Red and Blue for California

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

FRANK SLOMAN, the sensational school- handed out right and left. Since he was agreed upon as referee Matt has been kind to Chaney and met every demand made by enter the University of Pennsylvania this the Baltimorean. the Baltimorean. When the match was first advertised Hinkle announced that he would give \$15,-000 to the boxers, the money to be split up between themselves. Kilbane insisted on \$10,000, which was proper, but Chaney ob-jected to a mere \$5000 for his end. Hinkle made a hurried trip to Baltimore to give George \$5500 and \$500 additional for train-tion extension if he won and \$6000 with fall. According to reports from the coast and letters written by Sloman to friends n the East, he will enter the University of California and help put the home State on the map in track athletics. Sloman is second only to our own "Ted" Meredith as a quarter-mile runner. Last summer he traveled the distance in 47 seconds on a straightaway, but the wind was behind him and the record was not allowed to stand. He finished second to ing expenses if he won and \$6000 with training expenses if he lost. A couple of days ago Matt thought things over and wired Chaney that he would re-ceive \$6500, win, lose or draw. This seems Meredith in the 440 in the national cham-pionships, however, and showed that he can do better than 48 seconds. to have fixed things up in good shape, and unless something new crops up the much-talked-of match for the featherweight Last spring the Frisco boy promised rep-resentatives of the University of Pennsyl-vania to remain in the East after the nachampionship of the world will be held as ional championships in Newark next north and matriculate at the university. Some few weeks ago, however, through er schedule. country will breathe easier when it is an-nounced that both Klibane and Chaney have posted a substantial cash forfeit. When the Howard Drew, it was learned that Sloman

was wavering and that the "native sons" on the coast convinced him that it would be money is up there will be no further side-stepping, as both sides care no more about money than President Baker, of the Phillics, best to remain at home.

Material Getting Away in the sporting

EASTERN TENNIS **TEAM OVERWHELMS** WESTERN RIVALS

Coast Boys Take Only One Match Out of Seven Played at Forest Hills

VICTORS IN THE DOUBLES

FOREST HILLS, N. Y., Aug. 7 .- The rout of the Pacific coast tennis team in the East-West matches on the courts of the West West matches on the courts of the West Side Tennis Club at Forest Hills was com-pleted Saturday. Out of the seven matches in the series with the East, the Californians can boast of only a single victory, a small morsel, indeed, in a tournament in which they expected to be victors. As against this there stands the record of the East with six victories, and a satisfying record to a team which was regarded with doubt.

Having swept the boards clean in the play

of Friday, when they took all of the singles events, the East continued to rise to the heights of victory when Nathaniel W. Niles defeated Roland Roberts, of San Francisco, in the first match Saturday, 7-5, 6-3, 6-3. This gave the East every one of the singles competitions, and the Westerners could only pin their waning hopes to the doubles. The national doubles champions, William

M. Johnston and Clarence J. Griffin, brok the thread of ill-fortune that has bound th Californians when they defeated Karl H.

Behr and Frederic B. Alexander after four sets of sparkling tennis, 7-5, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3. This contest teemed with interesting play. as did the one which followed.

The other western doubles team of Willis E. Davis and Robert Lindley Murray, however, was not favored with a continuant

of victory. In a wonderfully fought five-set encounter the eastern team. R. Norris Williams, 2d. and George M. Church, triumphed at 6-8, 6-2, 6-2, 1-6, 6-3. In point of spectacular tennis this superseded that in which the national champions were play-

ng. It was tennis such as might grace a Davis Cup match. Sharp rallies abounded with all of the men close in at the net, and the play of the ball was so fast that the eye could barely follow its flight, until finally a

sharp placement won its way through the defense of one team or the other. It was the type of game to rouse the

spectators to bursts of applause, and cheers frequently greeted the skill of the con-testants.

sidine, one of the best-known sporting men in the country, is dead today at his home here. He died while undergoing an operation for mastoiditis.

Baseball Strike-Breakers, What?

NORFOLK, Va., Aug. 7.—President F. B., Walker, of the Norfolk Virginia Lengue club, announced yesterday he would employ annateurs to take the places of his players who struck yes-terday for back noy. Infelder Sicking, who will be delivered to the Chican Americans at the senson's clore, is one of four players who re-fuzed to guilt. The strikers hald their claims bet re President Corpew, of the league today.

THE WHITE SOX, FAVORED BY SCHEDULE, HAVE EXCELLENT CHANCE TO ANNEX PENNANT

Comiskey's High-Priced Collection of Toilers Meet Red Sox in Crucial Series This Week and Much Hinges on Result

By GRANTLAND RICE

Sox are the two favored clubs and the championship is likely to be settled in the

The New Diet

The days to come with heart athrob, When I could sit in glee and munch

circuit, and as he is young, fast and pow-erful, with a natural wallop and a steady eye, it begins to appear that the National

League at last has found a Ty Cobb of in own. Robertson certainly is the closes thing to Cobb that the old circuit has pre-

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SAMACKAY STAL

Right anxiously I've waited for

I do not know what I shall find beyond the own personal continues. The White Sox have the better of the schedule, with a long home finish ahead but even this will not be sufficient unless final stretch of years; I do not know what I shall face when I have left this Vale of Tears; Nor do I care—but this I know—if I but Commy's team can hold the world champs well scotched at this week's meeting. Hav-

cided to run.

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battle with the bold In this brief life, I'll be prepared for aught the endless years may hold. well scotched at the succulent diet of world series have in 1912 and 1915, the Red Sox have no present desire to pass up the dish. If they can overthrow their main rivals this coming week they will not be any harder to

Brave Life

Most men fight on to reach some goal-and look beyond to lasting rest-I fight because the fight is here-because each day I'm sorely pressed. And not to fight would be to fail—so I hang catch with a home series at hand than two or three lanky coyotes who just have de

on as best I can With but this dream, that at the end, the game will say, "There lived a man."

Is not the fight itself enough that man must Is not the fight thelf enough that must look for some behest? Wherein does failure miss Success if all en-gaged but give their best? Where does the victor's call come in for

But at the price they're charging now To get a satisfying gob, I sit me down and munch in plee Corn and the cob.

wreath of fame or laurel brow If one he vanguished fought as well as weaker muscle would allow? Wagner's Successor

Since Hans Wagner reached the age of If my opponent in the fray should prove to

Since Hans Wagner reached the age of sedateness the next best batsman in the National Lengue for a 10-year stretch has been Larry Doyle, with a mark of .287, Jake Daubert has been the leading factor be a stronger foe-Not of his making, but because the Desti-nics ordained it so-If he should win and I should lose, although for a five-year average, but the Wagneras successor now looks to be Dave Robertson. Dave today is the premier swatsmith of his

I did my utmost part. Is my reward the less than his if both should strive with equal heart?

Men hold one creed-the one who wins, not he who strives the best, is King: the victor's ears alone shall eatch the echoes where earth's welkins ring;

I hold the one who fights yet knows defeat will come in spite of right Is greater than his brothers are who strike

duced, barring, of course, the immortal Henus, who was a Ty Cobb to no league but a Hans Wagner to the world. with victory in sight. As for the Brooklyn Club, one of the main Give me the man who goes, head-up, to play worries ahead seems to be whether Jet Pfeffer or Sherrod Smith will pitch the fre

the game and meet his fate; Who wipes the dead past from his dreams game of the world series. and lets the fickle future wait; Who takes the game as it may come, and, win or lose, heeds but one call

To give the battle all he has until the final night shall fall.

Beyond the sky line, faint and vague, there may be no reward to claim And yet there gleams one epitaph beyond

And yet there pleans one children beyond the deepest glove of fame-Where sleeps a man who gave the game the best he had throughout Life's run-Who fought and lost, yet, losting all, but grieved because the Fight was done!

That American League Stampede YOU can pick up all the opinions two I or three strong men can carry about

the final outcome of the American League amborree What next week may hold is another mat ter, but today the White Sox and the Red



GEORGE CONSIDINE IS DEAD NEW YORK, Aug. 7 .- George F. Con

but Brooklyn has been equally easy for the Braves, losing nine out of fourteen to Stallings's team, If Boston can take three out of four from the Dodgers in the coming session, the expected slump of the latter team may result, but if Brooklyn wins three or sweeps the series from the Braves, Mr. Ebbets can start selling world's series tickets.

Saturday's defeat at the hands of the Cardinals with Alexander the Great on the mound caused faint-hearted fans to lose hope, but the work of the champions during the last week was highly satisfactory. The Phils are going along at a great clip, but as Brooklyn continues to win, and the champions cannot gain, the fans are beginning to lose hope. Nine weeks are left for the Phillies to overhaul the Dodgers, and quite a lot can happen in this space of time.

Athletics Break World's Record

TTHE Athletics have broken a world's record. By losing every game on the first western trip the Mackmen equaled the poorest trip on record, but as several other teams, including Louisville, of 1889; Pittsburgh, of 1890; Boston Americans, of 1906; Washington, of 1905; Cleveland, of 1899; St. Louis Americans, of 1910, and one or two other tailenders have had a similar experience, but little attention was paid to Mack's hand. However, the Athletics simply refuse to win a game in the West, and they now have the distinction (?) of being the only major league team in the history of the game to go into the second week of August without having won a single intersectional game away from home.

Every game of the first western invasion was dropped, and the Mackmen have failed to win a game on the present trip. The loss of every game on the first trip did not create much excitement, because so many games were postponed, including the entire series of four games scheduled in Chicago. With many doubleheaders scheduled to help use up the pitchers of the western teams, one would hardly believe it possible for a team to be unable to win a single game, but the Mackmen have turned the trick. Twenty-nine successive games have been dropped by the Athletics in the West.

Guy Morton was not pulled from yesterday's game because the Mackmen tallied twice in the sixth inning, but because he was suffering from the heat, and Fohl believed that he had worked long enough, considering the long time he has been out of the game. . . .

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A scout going through the American Association for talent will have a hard time selecting a player, unless he takes one who has been passed up by a major league team recently. The ten leaders in every department, excepting pitching, are veterans who have been discarded by major league teams within the last three years. Young talent is so scarce in the high-class minor leagues that it is wasting time for a scout to look them over. . . .

The sweeping victory of the eastern tennis players over the stars of the Far West came as a great surprise. The victory of Johnston and Griffith in the doubles match against Alexander and Behr was the only triumph gained by the western players in the seven matches played at Forest Hills.

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Eastern swimming experts were inclined to believe that Ludy Langer, of the Los Angeles A. C., was overrated, but the Pacific coast wonder proved conclusively that there is no one in the East in his class for the quarter mile. Langer finished almost 15 yards ahead of Herbert Volimer, of Columbia, who represented the New York A. C. . . .

It is rather odd that, day after day, the games at the Philly Park are the shortest in either league. That is one reason why the Phils are drawing so well. The fans like to see the players hustiing, and the way the Phillies run to and from their positions and play the game without numerous consultations has made a hig bit. There also is little time wasted in giving the signals, the battery men working In parfect harmony.

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Sloman now is working in the sporting department of a San Francisco newspaper and it is said that he will take up journalism at the University of California. He is ambitious to become a regular writer. In his own "stuff" the athleto says that he will try himself out in the 220 and 440-yard dashes at the San Diego exposition and if victorious will enter the same events in

Newark. Penn probably will have some more hard luck this fall, as it is said that Brooke Brewer, the Washington, D. C., sprinter, will enter Georgetown. Brewer's brother was captain of the track team at Georgetown in 1912 and this is likely to draw him away from Pennsylvania. The loss of these star athletes will be

hard blow to Lawson Robertson, the new material is not the best in the world, and "Robble" will have to go some to turn out a team.

Stallings Is in Again

George Stallings, aided and abetted by Percy Haughton, our most recent baseball mogul, has raised quite a fuss about the umpiring in the National League and a pecial meeting will be called by President Tener to discuss the subject. George was chased for a few days after a run-in with Byron and later finished a poor second in an argument with Charley Rigler. Now ie is howling for revenge. The protest of the Braves is a huge joke. The players are not the most gentlemanly persons in the world and are quarreling among themselves when they are not mixing with the arbiters. Internal dissension is shaking the Braves and unless some-thing is done at once to stop it Boston will have a very poor chance to cop the pennant

this year. Only recently Johnny Evers and Red Smith staged a lovely fist fight and had to be separated. Evers then said that he was through with the Braves forever, but since that time has reconsidered his state-ment and apologized. This only goes to show the condition of the Boston club, and is it any wonder that they are having trou-ble with the umpires? Some one must be blamed.

Speaking of Records

Just a minute, men; Jim Starr, the "pro" at Haddon Country Club, is on the phone at Haddon Country Club, is on the phone. Jim has some news to impart. Get this: "Just finished 18 holes at Cobb's Creek and made a pretty decent score. Got by with a 73 this morning Pretty good, eh, what? Joseph N. Davis, of Haddon C. C. and C. V. Anderson, of Cobbs Creek, went around with me. Here is my score: "4 5 5 4 4 5 4 4 5—39 "3 4 3 5 3 4 4 4 4—34" As par for the course is 71. Starr evi-As par for the course is 71. Starr evi-dently did some excellent work on our mu-nic pal links. But Sandy McNiblick is not among us today, so we cannot newsy and comment on Jim's self-confessed record.

Hinkle Is Generous

Matt Hinkle, of Cleveland, promoter of the Kilbane-Chancy battle at Cedar Point, O., on Labor Day, is so anxious to get the boys together that real money is being

Moran in Oklahoma

Frank Moran has turned his back on the right lights of Broadway and now is ojourning in Tuisa, Okla, where he is conditioning himself for his fuss with Carl Morris on Labor Day. Frank hit the skids after his terrible battle with Jack Dillon and did most of his training in his motor-car and the popular cafes. He figured Mor-ris as an easy mark, but when reports from the West stated that Carl was in better shape than at any time in his career like Dorgan and Willie Lewis prevailed upon the big blonde to do some regular training, and the journey to Tulsa resulted. This battle will be the turning point of

does about the world's series receipts.

However, the boxing fans throughout the

Moran's career. If he is defeated Frank might as well retire and get a soft job lriving a truck, for the public will not con-ider him seriously. His showing against Willard was overlooked, but when Dillon batted him all over the ball park his social standing dropped around zero. Frank must

win decisively from Morris or step down from the front rank in the heavyweight division.

France to Resume Horse Racing

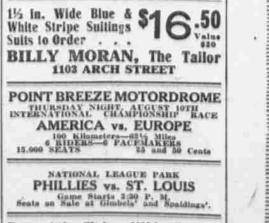
LONDON, Aug. 7 .- For the first time ince the outbreak of the war horse racing will be resumed in France on August 15. A series of meetings have been arranged for this month, September, October and November on the Chen, Mont de Marsan and Moulins race courses in the Paris district, Certain restrictions have been imposed, but in the interests of breeders of thorough breds.

Bombardier Wells to Box Reeve

LONDON, Aug. 7.-Bomhardler Wells, the leavyweight hoxer, and Corporal Harry Reove avo been matched for a 26-round bout for a urse of \$2500, offered by Dick Burgs, the win-ier to take \$1750 and the loser \$150. The bout will be staged at a West End music hall in he third week of this month and is to form he main attraction of a Louriament for the senefit of the Sporismen's Ambulance Fund.

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