SENSATIONAL RACES IN NATIONAL AND AMERICAN LEAGUES RIVAL THOSE OF FAMOUS 1908

ONLY ONCE IN HISTORY OF BASEBALL HAVE BOTH MAJOR LEAGUE RACES BEEN SO CLOSE

National and American League Races May Be Decided on Last Day of Season, as Was the Case in 1908

Wild, the greatest freak in baseball's entire history—the winning of both major league pennants on the last day of the season—be repeated?

Yesterday's defeat of the Dodgers in the National League, coupled with Braves' double victory and the even break of the Phillies, leaves but one and half games esparating Brooklyn in first place and Boston in third. In the ican League Detroit and Chicago both won and cut down the lead of the Red who were idle, and one and one-half games separate these three teams.

Only once in the history of the game have the two major league races so close so late in the season. Several times one of the races has been se that the winner was not determined until the last few days of the season, only in 1908 were the lending teams of both leagues so closely bunched at time. In 1908 the American League race was not decided until the last day, while in the National it was necessary to play off a tie game to decide the

The appended standings will show the similarity between the races of 1908 ad 1916. The final standing of the two leagues in that season and the present show that there is a possibility that the same conditions may arise

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	Wen.	Lost.	P.C.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
	Chicago 99	88	.643	Brooklyn 78	54	.591
	Pittsburgh 98	58	.636	Phillies 77	54	.588
	New York 08	86	.686	Boston 75	54	.581
	Phillies	71	.030	New York 67	62	,519
	Cincinnati 72	81	474	Pittsburgh 61	70	.478
	Boston	91	400	Chienge 61	76	.445
	Brooklyn 53	101	.844	8t. Louis 50	70	.423
	St. Louis 49	195	.876	Cincinnati 53	85	.384
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Detroit	. 00	63	.588	Boston 78	57	.578
Cleveland		64	.584	Detroit 80	59	.576
Chicago		.04	.579	Chleago 78	60	.565
St. Louis	. 88	69	.846	New York 71	65	.522
Boston	. 23	79	.487	St. Louis 72	67	.518
Athlettes	T 08	85	.444	Washington 68	66	.507
Washington	. 67	85	.441	Cleveland 70	60	.504
New York	. 51	108	.881	Athletics 30	104	.224

The Famous National League Race of 1908

WILL be seen that conditions are almost identical, excepting that the East is monopo'tzing the leading positions in the National League today whereas the West had the American League race all to itself in 1908. Merkle's failire to touch second when Bridwell singled, acoring McCormick with the winning un of the third game of the last series between the Giants and Cubs, cost New York the pennant in 1908, as the Cubs and Giants were deadlocked at the end of the regulation season. The board of directors of the league ordered the isputed game, which never had been finished—the teams being tied when the wowd rushed upon the field-played over and the Cubs won from the peerless

After the memorable series in which Merkle failed to touch second, the Giants started the final East vs. West series with a slight lead to overcome, but favored by the schedule, as there was supposed to be little opposition in the East, New York regained its lead by a point on September 30 by beating the Phillies, while the Cubs lost to Cincinnati. While this was happening Pittsirgh was sweeping a series with the Cardinals. On October 1 and 3 the Phillies igain beat New York, making it three victories out of five games, Harry Coveleskie being responsible for every defeat.

Pittsburgh and Chicago were scheduled for a single game on October 2, while New York had three games in two days with Boston. If Pittsburgh won from Chicago it was assured the pennant, whereas a Chicago victory would make ssary for New York to win three from Boston to gain a tle with Chance's The Cubs defeated the Pirates, 5 to 2, eliminating Clarke's team, while New York won all three from Boston, making the play-off of the tie game the deciding game of the season. This contest, played on October 7, two days after the regulation season closed, decided the pennant in favor of the Cubs.

Joss and Walsh in Greatest Duel in History

THE same condition prevailed in the American League. In the last lap of the race Cleveland increased its lead on October 2 by winning from Chicago in the greatest pitching duel ever staged on any ball field. Addie Joss shut out the Sox without a hit, and did not permit a batsman to reach first base in nine innings (one of the two perfect games on record), while Ed Walsh allowed Cleveand one hit and struck out fifteen men, Cleveland going out in order in seven of

The Sox came back and won the final game of the series, but Detroit by winning two from St. Louis on the same day crawled up on even terms with Cleveland. The following day, October 4, Chicago defeated Detroit, whi'e St. Louis held Cleveland to an eleven-inning tie. This made it necessary for Cleveand to win three straight from St. Louis to win the pennant, while Chicago had win two out of three from Detroit to top Cleveland by a point.

On October 5 St. Louis won the first game of a double-header from Cleveland, eliminating Larry's team, while Chicago won from Detroit, putting the house up to the final game of the season. If Chicago won it captured the pennant and the same was true of the Tigers. Detroit won and finished four points shead of Cleveland, Chicago's defeat sending it to third place.

Same Conditions May Prevail This Season

TODAY the situation is similar in both leagues. It is possible that the final series, or even the final day's schedule in each league, will decide both pennants. This is particularly true in the National League, where the three leading teams finish the season against each other. In the American League Detroit and Chicago do not meet again, while Boston closes its season in the East sgainst teams that are out of the race.

The Phillies must brace suddenly if they hope to take part in another grueling finish, such as developed in 1908. The National League champions have played seven poor games of ball in succession and are fortunate to be so close to Brooklyn. Thanks to getting the breaks against the Cardinals, Moran's chamns have taken two of the three games played, while Pittsburgh was downing Brooklyn two out of three. In the meantime Boston suddenly has come to life and after having lost seven consecutive games won the final contest with Brooklyn and three straight from the Cubs.

Whether Boston's comeback is due to weakness on the part of the Cub pitchers or a sudden batting streak remains to be proved. The Braves made ore bits and runs in yesterday's double-header with Tinker's team than they ade in six consecutive games against the pitching of the Phillies and Dodgers. If Boston has gotten out of its batting slump at last it is certain to be dangerous.

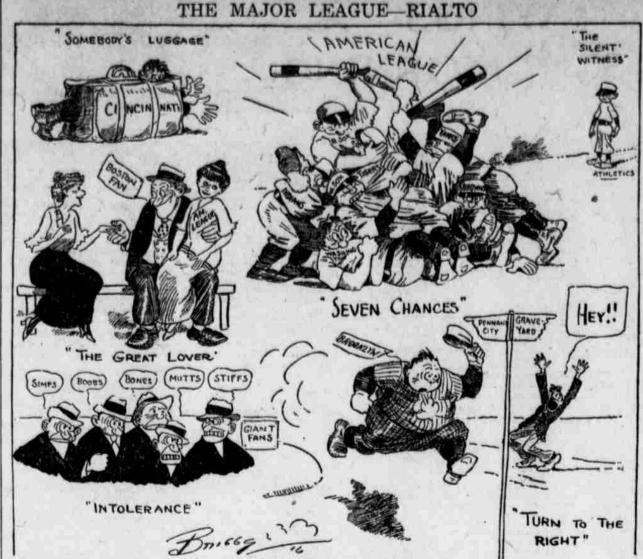
Great Rally Saved Second Game for Phils

GREAT batting rally in which Gavvy Cravath supplied the clean-up wallop-A a drive over the right-field fence with two men on bases—saved the Phils from certain defeat in both games of yesterday's double-header, and it cannot be said that the champions did not deserve to lose. They played lifeless ball both contests and were guilty of misplays that heretofore were unknown to

If one did not have the above standing to suide him he probably would have thought that the Cardinals were the team in the race, with the Phils merely playing to finish out the schedule. The champions tacked the dash and fire so noticeable in the series against the Dodgers and Braves, and even in New York, where four straight games were lost. The Phils are a team that will not slump long, however, and the fans can look for a speedy recovery. The champions re merely suffering from reaction, and such a slump seldom lasts long for a

The most disappointing feature of the even break was the defeat of Eppa sy in the first game. Rixey pitched grand ball for five innings, but then lost "stuff" and the Cardinals drove him from the mound. Even when he was batted hard. Rixey had greater speed and curves and a better change of than Ames, but the efforts of the Phils in the closing innings were weak

If Ames used the same style of pitching against a minor league team, he would be batted all over the field, but the veteran was shrewed enough to that the Phile had killed his speed and curve ball early in the game, taked to a slow change of pace ball. In the last six innings the chamet only two hits, and but few balls were battled out of the infield or met



Bouts Billed Tonight at the Broadway A. C.

PRELIMINARIES O'Donnell vs. Harry Leonard. innee vs. Charley Walters. envery vs. Joe Fornely.

SEMIWIND-UP Darby Caspar vs. Rid Tracey. WIND-UP Eddle Hinckie vs. Eddle Wagend.

Scraps About Scrappers By LOUIS H. JAFFE

hout the imockerout Getham lightweight. Here, holly's letter to the writer relative to Leonard's unching ability:

Sir-I read your interesting article on Benny Leonard and was surprised to find you classing nos with the boxers. Leonard has disposed of, including Joe Weish, Jimmy Murphy, Sam Rodideau and Eddle McAndrews. Now I know it is not intentional on your part, but in classing me with the other boxers mentioned you do me a great injustice. Leonard knocked said of the others out, but he did not knock me out. He could not even knock me down. He could not put me back at any time, and I was forcing the fighting from the tap of the bell in the first round till the end of the sixth. Each of the ment you mention had to be carried out of the ring, but I was forcing the fighting from the tap of the bell in the first round till the end of the sixth. Each of the ment you mention had to be carried out of the ring, but I will be a clever boxer, but that lets him out. He can't hit hard; not have inst a lot of boxers, and think Leonard is the lightest hitter. I ever faced in the ring. He can't hit herd shough to dent warm butter. He outpointed me, but he never hit me hard enough to feel it and he went tired trying to land knockout blows. In addition to this, I would like to say here that Leonard is a foul fighter, and repeatedly stuck his thumbs in my eyen in the clinches. At those sort of tricke he except, but when it comes down to hitting leany doesn't know the meaning of the word. The other boxers Leonard mether must have been pretty wort to let any one like Leonard mether must have been pretty wort to let any one like Leonard mether must have been pretty wort to let any one like Leonard mether must have been pretty wort to let any one like Leonard mether must have been pretty wort.

Charley Leonard, who appears to be a perfectly schooled befor and hard number like his famous brother. Here will play a return entered the second of the sec

Ruck Flerning and Johnny Nelson are two other Philadelphians who helieve Henny Leonard cannot hit sufficiently hard to put them away. Biola say they are ready to accommodate Leon-ard before matchinakors here decide to sign up out of town boxers as opponents for the New

Knockeut punches probably will be flying thick and fast in the wind-up at the Broadway Club tonight when the hard-punching Eddion-Rinckle and Wagond-clash, and it will be a case of "besting the other to the punch." Another match that stands out as a bette of wallops will be between Darby Caspar and Kid Tracey.

Olympia patrons and Sam Robidean will be well awars of the fact that Joe Welling is a semarismbly good battler which the pair meet at the Clympia Monday name. Welling save Johans Durdeo a terrific thank two weeks age in Now fork, and critics there exid 60 rounds of boxing were agreement into 10. A bantam hout of focal plateant will be between Young McGovern and

Beany Leonard boxes Frankle Conifrey in New York tonight.

DAUBERT IS CLOSEST THING TO COBB IN NATIONAL LEAGUE CIRCLES, AVERS NOTED CRITIC

Brooklyn Star, Having Partaken of Good Rest, Should Win Batting Honors for Third Time in Four Years, Says Rice

Lof branching out as the Ty Cobb of the National League. Not that Jake has any serious ten-year intentions as a league leader, but he is the closest thing to Ty at bat that the older circuit has.

Jake led his league in 1913 and 1914. Larry Doyle ousted him last year, but Jake is back near the lead again, with Hornsby, Chase and Wagner fighting for the leadership. Having partaken of a good rest, the Brooklyn star should win out for the third time in four years, which is fair enough for any one but a Cobb.

"Golf," writes a bystander, "must be a kids game, with this young Jones winning

at fourteen."

On the other paw, there was Walter J. Travis, who never played a game until he was thirty-five, and who afterward won four championships. Golf is a game that belongs to anybody who can hit the ball and sink his putts. Red Sox Gameness

They may take the flag away from the Red Sox, but no one can disparage their

fought their way into the lead, and on the last Western trip won two-thirds of their games. Now, minus Jack Barry, the club's most important cog, they continue to give battle for the old homestead at the top. This long sweep through the West will be the final test, for it will require an abnormal amount of gameness to get by with something better than an even break with Barry out of it. If the Red Sox can bold their lead this trip and bag another pennant they should be listed as one of the gamest machines that ever overcame almost impossible odds. fought their way into the lead, and on the came almost impossible odds

To 119 protesters—We beg pardon. It was not Walsh, but Doc White, who fell before Bill Donovan in 1908 in the deciding Detroit-Chicago game. Are we squared?

Beating Par

Young Bobby Jones, at fourteen, has played four rounds this season under 70. The question now is, suppose he improves only one stroke a year from now on, what will they do with course records when he gets to be what F. P. A. censiders the ideal golfing age—viz, fifty-eight?

Speaking of back spin and stopping the

Brooklyn, Boston and the Phillies had a terrible struggle a few days ago to see which one could crack under the strain first. The cracking process for a spell sounded like a barrel of crockery being pushed down a cellar stair.

Maxima of the Nineteenth Hole

The Youngest Entry

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By GRANTLAND RICE

Last season they won the pennant by beating Detroit and Chicago in the West and by winning always at vital moments. This season, even without Speaker, they

ball dead without any roll, we saw any number of golfers who had this shot down pat at Merion by pitching into the sand-filled traps.

He that jousteth in a sand-filled trough shall obtain more exercise than he that goeth down in par. And the ordeal thereof shall be good for the vaunted arrogance of his soul, while teaching him that life is not all threes and fours.

"If Jones is the youngest golfer who ever broke into a golf championship, who is the youngest ball player who ever broke into the big leagues?" queries R. L. F. Up to three years ago Hans Wagner was the youngest on the field. So far as age is con-

SUITS TO ORDER

THE Hon. J. Daubert is upon the verge of the Demontreville, who broke in under Ned Hanlon at seventeen. Does any one know of a tenderer age exposed to the mercilese tactics of big league umpires?

Freddie Welsh hasn't decided yet when he will fight his next battle or run his next race. Freddie has to give his referee time to recover from the terrible strain of picking the proper winner in a strictly non-partisan way. For while Freddie may carry his own official, of course he never would expect to get even a shade the better of it. Of course.

The Phillies may win or the Robins may win
Or the Braves may come with a burst;
think I can tell you even more
Around October first.

Autumn is here with a rush. We note that Mr. Stagg is upon the verge of fearing

As for Ancient Mottoes "The race is not unto the swift,"
As some one's often suid;
And I will let it go at that
Nor pause to shake my head.

But if I'm entered in a dash, At any point of need, I think I'd rather be the one That has the greater of

"The battle is not to the strong,"
As we have often heard,
So I will let it go at that
Nor doubt the ancient word.

But if I get into a scrap With any rough-house bunch, I think I'd rather be the one That has the husky punch.

Bouts for Cambria A. C.

Ivan Michaeloff, the Russian Cossack, and Sulo Hevonpas, the Bohemian champion, are scheduled to meet to a catch-as-catch-can wrestling match at the Cambria A: C. Frankford avenue and Cambria street, on Saturday night in one bout and Renato Gardin; the Italian champion, and Pierrard is Colosse, the siant Frenchman. In another, Michaeloff has a great record for performances on the mat. He has downed any number of big men and is cooked on as a dangerous opponent for any man to tackle. His greatest performance was in his match with Jos Stecher.

Potter to Play Lincoln Stars

Lincoln Stars, the fast colored semipro-fessional team, will be the attraction at Potter Ball Park, Front and Eric avenue, on Saturday, Potter was scenduled to play this team early in the season, but weather conditions prevented the game.

NUMBERS FOR IDENTIFICATION ON TOURNEY GOLFERS' BACKS MAY BE INTRODUCED HERE

Wilmington Idea of Cataloguing Golfers for Gallery Discussed -Large Purse

By SANDY MeNIBLICK

BOLD, black numbers, such as those sewn on the sweatered backs of plunging. mud-covered warriors of the gridiron, or to the jerseys of straining athletes of the cinder paths may adorn the backs of golfers in the future in tournaments likely to draw large galleries.

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The matter of placing numbers on the backs of golfers, so they may be identified as in other sports, has been much discussed since the national by prominent golfmen of the city. The idea is to catalogue the numbers, with the player's name, so that the fan following the match may simply refer to his program and discover from the player's number just who he is and what is his claim to fame.

Tried Out Tried Out

The idea got a fine, big boost yesterday at Wilmington, when it was first tried out hereabouts. To the bag of each player was hung a large placard with his number. On the program was found his name and club opposite his number, so that there were no loud "who-is-he" questions, and good players never walked past a fan who wanted to see him play, but who otherwise would not have known who the golfer was.

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The plan would have been especially commendable in the national qualifying round and in the match play of the first three days, before the field had narrowed down definitely. It would have shed a lot of light on the problems of the fan, hundreds of them, who had favorites they wanted to watch and then let them pass by ignorant of their identity.

The played to day of the light at William at William.

The play-off today of the ties at Wil-mington brought together some beautiful

Jim Barnes, walloping wizard of White-marsh, had a fine chance to get back at Jack Hutchinson, Pittsburgh, for all the last-minute cunning of the latter in tourneys of the season where the two bave played.

There at Sunset

In the open championship of the United States, Hutchinson nosed out Jim Barnes for first professional profits with a record score for the course.

In other tourneys he has slid in just in ine, and yesterday, when Barnes slipped up three strokes in the afternoon on his morning card of 72, Hutchinson breezed up to the scoreboard at the last minutes with a 74 for his second round. They played today to break the tie at 147 strokes for first money in the \$375 purse.

Wilfred Reid played over his own course to break another tie for third and fourth money with Emmett French, a Philadelphia lad, who is pro at York.

Reid is a famous British veteran, so it is "homebred" against "foreign born."

Five players of the southeast section qualify for the match play rounis for the championship of the Professional Goifers. Association of the United States to play against twenty-seven other pros who will qualify in the various sections all over the country.

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Charles Hoffner, young star from Philmont, broke the tie today with James Thomson. Country Club, for the fifth place.
There is a matter of fifty cold and round dollars resting on the victory. Each of the defeated players in the first round of the match play, which will be next month, at Mount Vernon, N. Y., will get \$50, so that any player to qualify, whether he defaults his first match, walks around the course for a licking or throws his clubs in the lake, is sure of at least that much money.

Lovely Percentage

There will be more than \$2500 in stakes for the players in the match play. This is the largest purse ever whacked up by pros in this country, according to Jim Thomson, a veteran. The match play is also significant, for it shows how the pros would manage their own play for the stakes if they could do it.

They did not choose medal play. Some time ago the western open championehip was at match play, but this style has been abandoned for medal play.

Jim Barnes and Charlie Hoffner took a very presentable gallery around with them all day yesterday at Wilmington, and showed some remarkable stuff on the ball.

"Pretty sloppy golf," groaned Hoffner as he handed in a "miserable" card of 75.

"It makes me sick," sighed Jim Barnes after his morning round of 72, "I should have a 63 or better without any trouble."

Hoffner "brought down the house" and saved himself considerable flurry when he sank a bird two on the eleventh in the afternoon by running down a nice long putt.

Exceptionally "Poor"

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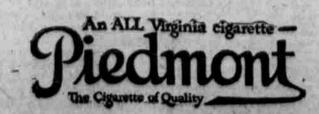
He was two over fours to that point, and every golfer knows that is "punk golf." His two made Hoffner all even with fours again, and he was able to smile once more.

Two of Barnes's gtrokes in the all-day session were penalty strokes he had to drop out of the creeks, when he laid on his drives too vigorously in an effort to make the green.

Jack Hutchinson was almost in tears over his awful score of the afternoon. "Th' mon blew up, 'n there ye have the

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Tomorrow's Tournament and Today's Tee Tall

whole story," said "Nipper" Camp Baltimore, to the gathering at the teenth hole. He played with Hutch Hutchinson demanded to know when he could be expected to do better a the seventy-four he got when he see THREE putts on six greens. He who will be a seen that the seventy-four he was the seventy-fou

"Ye should hov eat it up." the pros

him.
"I canna hole out ma drives." I should desperately in self-defense.
The admiration for their own shots aired cheerfully at the extra-hole gas ing by all present.

"Mon, mon, ye should has seen a drivin," said Alex Cunningham. "I said hit thim a mile. Worra, worra, it beautiful."

"But Ma Own Shots" "Ye maun a hit thim twa mile te sahead o' me," replied another pro,
"Ma mashie shots has no run at all, a all," said Cunningham, shaking his led
in admiration.
"Ma mashie shots came back and kine

"Ma masnie snots came back and kinne a'most," answered the other.
"Nary a putt c'd I miss," said Ale
wonderingly.
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Other rusty-red, sunburned Scotch as other nationalties of pros began to brui into the bantering till there was a ratio of self-boosting repartee.

"Lis'en to 'em," said one of the pres we had not had much to say.

"Lis'en to 'em," he whispered confidentially, "Lis'en to 'em braggin. 'N I player tings around the lot o' them."

One of the best fields in its eleven rest of existence turned out today for the gualification round at the Cricket Club for its St. Martin's Cup. The cup is in the reseasion of Maurie Jones, one of the seastions of last season, who unfortunate has not been able to play so far this sean in the tournaments scheduled.

Some out-of-town players made the clickeeper.

Allied Soccer League Nineteen soccer clubs participated in the mual election of officers of the Allied Am Foutball Association, held at Pearson's He night. The officers chosen were as a President, John B. Farrell; first vice pre Duncan Carmithael: second vice president of the board of directors were. Fyrrell, William H. Brealy and Gilbert I of Fairhill Boys' Club.

"Buck" Weaver a Bankrupt CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—George D. Wenver indelder of the Chicago A League baseball learn, has filed a possible from creditors of belliard half et which he started two years results of the started two years and the started two years and the started two years of the years of the started two years of the years of t

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