

# ADVANTAGE FOR NATIONAL LEAGUE PENNANT IS WITH PHILLIES, DESPITE BROOKLYN LEAD

## BANCROFT'S LOSS TO PHILLIES MAY PROVE FATAL TO CHAMPS IN FINAL SERIES WITH BRAVES

However, Moranmen Are Favored by Schedule Despite Dodgers' Lead of Two Points. Stock to Fill in at Short

IF IT had not been for the accident which may keep Dave Bancroft out of the game for the remainder of the season it would look very much as though the Phillies surely would win the National League pennant, as Moran is favored by the schedule and really is in better position than Brooklyn, despite the fact that Robinson's team is enjoying a two-point lead. The Phillies have lost one game less than Brooklyn, and unless rain interrupts a few games for each team the advantage is with the champions.

The fact that Boston has no chance for the pennant, while New York works to overthrow the Braves, means that the Phillies have all the best of it. If the Phillies can take five of the six games scheduled with Boston it will be necessary for the Dodgers to win every game scheduled with McGraw's flying aggregation. Offhand we should say that the Phillies have a better chance to take five games from Boston than Brooklyn has to sweep the series from New York.

### Bancroft's Loss Serious Blow

THE absence of Bancroft from the game is a serious blow at this stage of the race, as Moran has no other defensive player in Benny's class, and just now the defensive end of the game is most important. While Brooklyn batted Alexander hard in the second game on Saturday, it is possible that the Phillies would have been able to hustle the Dodgers with Bancroft in the game, as the infield went to pieces as soon as he retired.

The burden of filling Bancroft's position will be placed upon Milton Stock. Last season it was up to Stock to fill in at third base, owing to an injury to Hobby Byrne, who then was considered the regular third baseman. If Stock can fill in as well as short as he did at third, Bancroft's injury is not going to cripple the team as much as expected; but in case Stock fails to fill the bill, the pennant chances of the Phillies will not be quite so bright.

In any event, it is certain that the Phillies will not be able to present their strongest line-up for the world series providing they finish ahead of the Dodgers in the pennant race. The absence of the regular shortstop has a greater effect on a team than would an accident to a man playing any other position. The defense is built around the shortstop and he really is the main defensive cog. As John McGraw once remarked, a team is just as strong as its shortstop.

### McGraw Says Giants Will Defeat Brooklyn

MANAGER MORAN and his players feel absolutely confident that the one extra game the Dodgers have lost is going to decide the race, and they feel that they will not lose any more games than Brooklyn for the rest of the season, which would leave the Phillies just a trifle ahead of Robinson's team, providing rain does not cause the postponement of any of the games scheduled for either team.

Yesterday we met Manager McGraw, of the Giants, in New York, and he declared that New York would play its very best ball against the Dodgers and that he really expects to win three of the four games played. The intimation that the Giants will not try to beat the Dodgers piques McGraw very much, and he insists that Brooklyn will have a harder time beating New York than the Phillies will against the Braves.

McGraw declares that he never saw a ball player who would deliberately pull a throw-down and that his players are just as anxious to win from Brooklyn as before the winning streak was broken. McGraw says that he will work his very best pitchers against the Dodgers, and that Freddie Schupp, who has been pitching wonderful ball, probably will be permitted to face Robinson's team twice. If McGraw goes through with his present plan of working his pitchers the Phillies can rest assured that they will not lose the pennant because of the close friendship existing between Managers McGraw and Robinson. New York fans appear to believe that the Giants will not try to beat the Dodgers, and are just a trifle suspicious about the series.

Probably the intimations that New York would not try to beat the Dodgers will add the Phillies, as it is reasonably certain that McGraw's men will have to play their best ball. Baseball would be given a black eye if the Dodgers succeeded in winning four in a row from the Giants, as it is certain that McGraw's team in its present condition is much too strong for the leaders, and needs only to play fair but to be more than a match for the Robins.

### Ban-Johnson Made Great Race Possible

BAN JOHNSON made possible the great American League bunting race of 1915. If it had not been for his shrewdness, added to his dictatorial power, the affair would have been a walkover for the Red Sox.

There was much comment created in the springtime when Ban engineered the deal that sent Tris Speaker to the Indians. Our most astute citizens rose right up and remarked that Ban was "jockeying" the race, that he was weakening the Red Sox and not doing any real good for the then hopelessly appearing Indians. But the hot poll was wrong. Ban's move ultimately generated more thrills than have skidded along baseball's spinal column, for an extensive period.

If Ban had stopped that Speaker deal the Red Sox, assisted by the terrific cloning of Tris, would have clinched the flag about August 1. Tris, alone and unaided, is good for at least ten victories in a normal season. Battling under the Red Sox standard this year he would have turned probably a dozen defeats into triumphs. And the race could not have been dignified by such a name after midseason.

ALL that is necessary to be popular in Brooklyn is to ipdite a poem to Charley Ebbets. The actions of the Squire of Flatbush toward the loyal fans, his "dear fans," remind one of the pork-barrel Congressman who appeals to the D. O. P. before election day and presents them with a large, luscious raspberry after the votes are counted. If Ebbets and any of his fans ever meet in Satania, the feeling for each will be so warm that the place will be a first-class skating rink.

Mack's days of experimentation look to be about over. At least, he seems reasonably sure of two—maybe three—infield positions, while his outfield and pitching staff rank up as all that might be desired, considering his troubles of the last two years. When Connie and his band get together on another drive for the pennant, he will deserve more praise than he is likely to get. Few realize the heavy obstacles that he has had to overcome, and the continued ridicule, even abuse, that has been poured on the silent head of the remarkable leader would have turned back men with less determination of purpose.

Rube Marquard looked better against the Phils on Saturday than ever before, even when he was compiling his run of nineteen consecutive victories. Marquard has more courage now and is a smarter pitcher. Back a few years ago, Marquard thought only of bunting his unusual fast ball by the batters, but today he depends largely upon a change of pace, as his fast ball has lost most of its "stuf."

Doctor Noshing, an osteopath, who is attending Dave Bancroft, asserts that the little shortstop might possibly return to the game tomorrow, but Manager Moran is not counting upon having his star shortstop in the game again this season. Injuries such as Benny received always are slower to heal than is hoped, and judging by the way he was limping last night, his presence in the game would not help the team much.

The American League season is officially over, though it was apparent a few weeks back that the Red Sox would represent Johnson's circuit in the world's series. No team in either league is better fortified for a world's series than the Red Sox, and with the announcement that Jack Barry would be in shape for the struggle with the National League champions, the odds naturally shift to Boston.

The Phils are again in a position to enter first place and it is not necessary to win to get there. An even break against the Braves with a New York victory over the Dodgers would give the Phils a clear lead.

## KAUFMAN TACKLES WILLIAMS TONIGHT AT OLYMPIA A. A.

Both Should Be Strong in Match at 120 Pounds, Ringside

### SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

#### Olympia Boxing Program Scheduled for Tonight

**PRELIMINARIES**  
 Benny Hughes vs. Frankie Conway.  
 Gusie Lewis vs. Mickey Brown.  
 Frankie Quindus vs. Young Higgins.  
**SEMIWIND-UP**  
 Sailer Smiley vs. Young Palmer.  
**WIND-UP**  
 Benny Kaufman vs. Kid Williams.  
**NATIONAL'S BOXING RESULTS**  
 Pete Herman defeated Barney Hahn.  
 Willie Moore won from Dick Sheridan.  
 Mike McGovern lost to Willie Jones.  
 Mike Paulson and Charley Doyle drew.  
 Not O'Donnell trimmed Johnny McLoughlin.

#### By LOUIS H. JAFFE

Benny Kaufman has been boxing about ten years, more or less, yet his encounter tonight with Kid Williams at the Olympia Athletic Association will be his first experience in the ring opposed to a champion. The Philadelphia's ambition has been to pair off with a title-holder, and his match this evening gives him an opportunity to become famous overnight. Until the latter part of last season, when he was taken under the guidance of Charley Wiermuller, little Benjamin had been boxing featherweights, lightweights and, on one occasion, he recalls a champion with a welterweight. And all the while Benny was a legitimate bantam, which he proved when he weighed in at 114 pounds recently for Johnny Crisp. Tonight's set is scheduled at 120 pounds, ringside, and both Kaufman and Williams should be at their best.

The remainder of the Olympia's program is also composed of bantamweight bouts, with the exception of the Sailer Smiley-Young Palmer scrap.

#### Herman Proved His Class

Pete (also Kid) Herman finally got a chance here to show how good he really was, and he allowed the National Club fans to be judges when he displayed a class of the high-water mark in defeating Barney Hahn Saturday night. Herman's victory was unanimous. He not only outboxed the tough little Richmondite, but also out-fought him at several stages of the contest.

Herman's exhibition was somewhat on the order of Johnny Dundee's style of boxing. While Pete's punching was rather light, his stiff left-handers and punches with both hands to body were landed in sufficient number to leave smarting evidence of their landing. The New Orleans lad also crossed several right-hand punches to Hahn's chin which rocked him, and it was apparent at the final going that Pete was just getting warmed up.

Two other boxers who have been appearing in longer bouts than are legalized in Philadelphia, and were coming strong at the final bell were Mike Paulson and Mickey Sheridan. The former's great rally in the last two rounds against Charley Doyle earned him a draw, while Sheridan, although he made a good impression, was defeated by Willie Moore.

Terry McGovern, who has been showing improved form in every match, again returned a winner when he decisively defeated Willie Jones, one of the toughest fighters who have ever appeared in this city. Jones has been boxing for fourteen years and still can make any of the lightweights show their best punch. McGovern has developed a terrific punch with his right hand, and he gives promise of proving himself a real top-notch lightweight.

#### Scraps About Scrappers

Once again we are informed of Les D'Arcy's knockout ability. In stopping George Chip at midway yesterday, the Australian champion scored the first clean knockout over the American. Al McCoy is credited with a kayo over Chip, but this generally is conceded as a fluke victory. D'Arcy stopped Chip in after rounds. Another American, defeated by Australia yesterday was Arthur Stangor, of Cleveland, who was beaten by him in twenty rounds on points.

While the Model A. C. has dropped out of the local boxing field, a new club will enter in its place tomorrow night. George Dunbar, promoter of the Model A. C. will be in charge of the Point Breeze A. C. His first window tomorrow night will be between Darry Casper and Jack Dunleavy.

Johnny Maloney made good in his second professional bout by defeating Young Allen a better and tomorrow night he will endeavor to show winning form against Walter Hitz. Darry Casper, who will appear in the final of the Ryan's weekly show. Adam Ryan has been battling Maloney in shape. Teddy, John a brother and manager, says the former amateur will be ready for a return match with Joe O'Donnell after a few more matches.

## WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



## ADVANCE DOPE ON WORLD'S SERIES CONTESTS FOR 1916 CHAMPIONSHIP

**DATE OF FIRST GAME**—Saturday, October 7. Place, Braves Field in Boston, Ebbets Field in Brooklyn, or National League Park in Philadelphia.  
**POSTPONEMENTS AND TIE GAMES**—In case a game is postponed on account of rain, or if for some other reason a local game is not played, the teams will remain in the city where the postponement occurred until a local game is completed. A tie game will not be played if the game is the first played in either city of the two contending teams.  
**SEATING CAPACITY** (estimated)—Braves Field, Boston, 49,000; Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, 25,000; National League Park, Philadelphia, 20,000. Accommodations will be made in the city where it occurred, but the team will move to the other city, except, of course, when a tie game is the first played in either city of the two contending teams.  
**DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS**—National Commission gets 10 per cent of the gross receipts. Players share in receipts of the first four games, of which they receive 60 per cent, while the owners receive 40 per cent. If the players share 60 per cent, then to the club that wins the series and 40 per cent to the losers. After the fourth game the owners take all the receipts, less the National Commission's 10 per cent.  
**PRIZES FOR 1915**—Official paid attendance for series of five games, 145,251. Total receipts, \$239,261, divided as follows: Players, \$14,399.44 each club; \$112,425.80 National Commission; \$31,688.95; each Boston player, \$3779.99; each Philadelphia player, \$2519.99.

## RED SOX CLINCH PENNANT; LANNIN PRAISES CARRIGAN

Defeat of White Sox by Indians Gives Boston Championship

CHICAGO, Oct. 2.—Chicago's defeat in the opening game at Cleveland yesterday clinched the American League pennant for Boston. The final standing of Chicago is 49 won and 65 lost, a percentage of .5772. Boston has won 90 and lost 41, and, even by losing all three of its remaining games with the Athletics, would finish beyond the chance even of a tie. The Boston percentage is .59603.

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## OVER TWELVE-YEAR STRETCH MAJOR LEAGUES ARE TIED IN WORLD'S SERIES TRIUMPHS

By GRANTLAND RICE

IN COMING to the thirteenth world series there are a number of elements of surpassing interest beyond the present rivalry. How many ecstatic fanatics, we wonder, appreciate the even play of the two leagues for their last twelve meetings? Offhand one would figure that the American League was far in front. For the fan forgets quickly. He is not likely to range back over six years, and in doing so he remembers well enough that the American League has bagged five of the last six trophies.

### The Even Count

So far as series go, the young league is out in front, as it has landed seven championships, against five. But so far as games go nothing could be closer. For the two circuits have played seventy world series games since 1905. Of this number the American League has won thirty-four, and the National League has won thirty-four, and there have been two tie-games, one a six-and-a-half count over a twelve-year war the proper answer would be very much appreciated around these precincts.

### Upsets and Such

You hear considerable gossip about world series upsets, but they have been far apart. In fact, there were only three of any note within twelve years. The first came when the White Sox in 1906 beat the great Cub machine four games out of six. The next came when the young Mackinn machine beat the Cubs four games out of five. The third arrived when the inspired and frenzied Braves beat the Mackmen four straight in 1914.

In all other years the early favorites have predominated. It generally was conceded the Cubs were far beyond the Tigers in 1907 and 1908. It also was conceded, in the main, that the Mackmen outclassed the Giants in 1911 and 1912.

Few last year figured the Phillies with anything resembling a chance against that Red Sox pitching staff and a Boston attack headed by Tris Speaker and Duffy Lewis. We made but one slight wager on that score, and it was even money that Philadelphia would not win two games. You could underwrite Alexander for one—and then you were through for the season.

### Pretty Well to Past Form

No, a world series runs pretty well to form. But most of us forget all details connected with the obvious taking place, recalling only the vividness of upsets.

Here is another error. The idea seems to be prevalent that every world series has been decided or turned upside down by some outsider in the dope. Very little to it. George Rebs and Babe Adams and

Hank Gowdy are glittering examples, but most of the world series heroes have been stars who operated true to form—such as Bill Dahlen in 1903, Christy Mathewson and Mike Donlin in 1905, Brown, Owsen, Chance and Schulte in 1907 and 1908, Bender, Coombs, Collins and Baker in 1910 and 1911, Joe Wood and Tris Speaker and Buck Herzog in 1912, Dick Rudolph and Bill James and Johnny Evers in 1914, well as Speaker, with Lewis, Shore, Foster and Leonard a year ago—all of whom were recognized stars.

### The Shifts of Fortune

The National League ruled the game in a world series way from 1905 to 1910. In those five seasons the older circuit bagged four victories to one, and the idea soon wandered abroad that the Johnson circuit was badly outclassed. Of the twenty-seven games played in that epoch the National League array landed eighteen victories against nine, a two-to-one margin. And then the tide shifted the other way. From 1910 through 1915 the American League won five of the six series, suffered one unexpected jolt. Of the thirty-two games played, the American League won twenty and lost but twelve. The American League uprising has been due to two clubs—the Mackmen and the Red Sox. They have won five series, with but one defeat.

The Athletics were held to be invincible until the big smear came in 1914, wrecking and dismantling one of the greatest ball clubs ever known.

### To Form New Club League

RIVERTON, N. J., Oct. 2.—A new sun club league will be formed when followers of a fringe in this section hold a special meeting tonight. Six cities are expected to make up the new league. The names proposed are Riverton, Gloucester, Pottsville, Palmyra, Delanco and Westmont.

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