ALEX AND THE CHIEF STILL BUDDIES DESPITE THEIR DIFFERENCE IN BASEBALL SUCCES

ALEX, WHO GETS \$12,500, AND BENDER, GIANTS' FINE TEAM WHO DOESN'T, ENJOY DAY AT TRAPS

Pitcher Who Was Hoisted to Pinnacle on Same Day That Chief Was Shoved Into Discard Acts as if Nothing Had Happened

RIUMPH sits as lightly on the brow of Alexander the Great, one of the world's to two highest salaried pitchers, as does dehighest salaried pitchers, as does de-en the frontal bone of Chief Bender, of Philadelphia fandom for more than de, who was toppled from his pedestal on the same day that "Alex" was pushed on the pinnacle. That "uneasy lies the head wears a crown" stuff doesn't seem to a "Alex" for a minute, and if Chief Bender is doing any worrying his Indian stoicism prevents him from showing it. Grover Cleveland Alexander spent his

day as a plutocrat pitcher banging y at clay pigeons at the traps of the ideman Fishhouse Association, at Beidenan-on-the-Delaware, just above Camden, naside him on the concrete crescent stood Charles A. Bender, his erstwhile teammate. who was unconditionally released by the phillies' management on the same day that " after a controversy that had kept local fans in a turmoil for more than a fornight, signed a contract with President Baker that brackets him with Walter John-

on as one of the highest paid hurlers in the history of baseball. Strange occupations, one may say, for who have just reached such opposing limaxes in their carcers !

Out on a Lark

Tet, when one knows the two men it does not seem so strange, after all. It was a holiday, and they were out for a lark. Alexander was the same "Alex." seriously Alexander was the same "Alex," seriously intent on mowing down clay birds as though they were opposing batsmen, while Bender-Bender was just "Chief." the man whose name has led all the rest at the Beideman name has led all the rest at the Berdeman shoots oftener than has any other man's. If the knell of his pitching career was sounding in Bender's ears, it failed to affect his eyesight and nerves. He proved it by yoing out and winning the club spoon for high gun with a score of 99—missing only we hid out of a hundred. bird out of a hundred.

one bird out of a hundred. The grinding of a "movie" camera seemed to worry "Alex" more than the cares of wealth. His score showed it, too. On he first two trips to the traps he got a twenty-four and a twenty-three out of his quota of twenty-five clay birds. Not had hooting for a man whose practice with a gun has been mostly in the field rather than behind a trap and who hasn't pulled a trig-wer wince Christmas. er since Christmas.

But when "Alex" and the Chief sauntered out on the porch of the clubhouse for their hird twenty-five the moving-picture operafor began to do some "shooting" on his own scount, and Alexander jumped. Then he miled good naturedly when the man be-hind the crank asked him to look pleasant. "How does it feel to be a plutocrat in these days of high cost o' living?" said the

"movie" man, grinding away.

"Alex" only grinned. "Nervous?" he was asked. "Not a bit," said "Alex."

But on his next two turns at the traps the best "Alex" could do was two twenty-twos for a total of ninety-one. The last two scores were accomplished with one eye on the sights of his gun and the other on the camera man, who was hopping around "shooting" a few more pieces, with a "till" or two for good measure.

Chief Also Rattled

The Chief, too, apparently was rattled by the advent of the photographer, for he got only a twenty-four on his third trip and polled a perfect score. Let's blame it on the click of the shutter, anyway.

The world's greatest baseball pitcher and the former star who has stepped along the path to the big league showers for probably path to the big league showers for probably the last time were honored guests at a "faming bee" in the cozy clubhouse after the shooting was done. The subject how-ever, was not baseball. The men who have so often stood beside the two diamond stars at the traps knew that "Alex" wasn't look ing for praise, and they knew, too, that the Chief wasn't looking for sympathy. The

two have won a place as good fellows in this little circle a place that probably means as much to them as the place they have won in baseball history—and they were content to sit and "yarn" with the rest of them. Allogether yesterday was a safe and same holiday for the man who now rests on the

top of the baseball heap and a pleasant one for the man who has just been jostied off the diamond, possibly for keeps.

CURTIS G. C. ARRANGES SHOOT FOR TOMORROW

Two 25-Target Events Scheduled Tomorrow on New Range at Lawndale

The Curtis Gun Club will hold its open-ing shoot tomorrow on its new grounds, Lawndale, Pa. Frank A. Godard, the secretary, has received no fewer than 200 an-swers from members and frieds express-ing their willingness to participate. Godard iso has arranged for a match between the ladies in which a number of star sh of this and various other States will com-

There will be two events of 25 targets each and a prize for high gun in each event. Special prizes for the ladies and one for the high professional score will be put up

Bowling News

The Keystone Club (A) tournament has de-veloped into a stringgle between the first four teams, with three games or one series separat-ing them. This condition was brought about as a result of last night's weekly contents on Keystone allexs. Ellikon, the leader, lost two games to Bellevue. The Pirates started with a 1001 score against Resalls, but dropped the next two games, the deciding match being won by Resalls by two pins with a 912 score. Ter-minal won two, from Edouard and replaced Firstes as runner-up, and the ofrmer leader is the for third with Agassiz, who made a sweep of its matches with Wilmot.

Harrison, of Rexails, toppled over 246 in the second same and finished with 165. Marshall, of the same squad, began with 192, then rolled totals of 210 and 223, a grand total of 625.

Tom Gamon, of the Pirates, secured 504 a three games, his best score being 212 in cond game.

Fricks, three times in succession, topped the much-desired double century mark, having scores of 202 In his first and third game, soil 205 in his second effort. Price, of Pirates, rolled 628, his best exhibition being a 237 score in the first game, when the Pirates got their 1001 fails. Quaker City and Curtis Leagues will play main tonight on the Keystone and Termina again

Flood, of Agassiz, rolled consistently, getting cores of 198, 194 and 195.

LEAVES FOR SOUTH Mugs McGraw Has Great Foundation for Pennant Winner This Year

TO TRAIN AT MARLIN, TEX.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—What is generally called the greatest baseball team ever seen in the National League, not excepting even in the National League, not excepting even the famous old-time Cubs, left New York today for Marlin, Tex., where it will go into spring training. A second squad of Giants will follow on March 2.

John J. McGraw, successful leader of the New York team, will have the greatest foundation for a pennant winner he ever ted out of Martin, providing players now on the club's roster all report. Lack of condi-tion, wholesale injuries or an attack of small-pox, it is admitted by every critic in baseball, are virtually the only things that will be the only things that will keep the Giants from another pennant Compared with the Giants' inner and

outer defense and its catching staff, other clubs pale away to a mere shadow. Beginning almost where they left off last all, after having established a record of twenty-seven consecutive victories, the Glants will have a big job on their hands in running true to form, but the punch is there, and if things happen without kicking a hole in the dope, the world's series will be staged with one-half of the receipts counted at the Polo Grounds

At first base McGraw will have Walter Holke, the brilliant recruit from the International League, which topped the National beakue batters lact season during the brief period he was with the New Yorkers. He is being called the most promising prospect League batters last

vho has worn the spangles of a major eaguer in years. Charley Herzog, years ago star perform r at third base and recently a shining light at shortstop, has been converted into a sec-ond baseman, and is doing better there that at any of his former jobs.

At third base the former Cub, Heinie Zimmerman, will be planted. His hitting, in addition to a great fielding ability, has caused him to be styled the best third base-man in the league.

gardener

sition again, and McGraw, in addition to all his supporters, expects the former Fed to make good in far better fashion this year

for a wonderful staff. In addition there will be Jeff Tesreau, Fred Anderson, Poll Perritt, Slim Sallee and a few recruits who are expected to show well. Kocher, Rariden and Gibson are signed to

catching staff.



"BILL" JAMES

Disabled pitcher of Braves may be out of baseball this year. He has

notified the club management that

he would refuse to sign a contract for \$3000 a year. He received

\$6500 a year for the last two sea-sons. No further offer will be

made to James, it is said.

HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

OTHER CONTESTS

DILLON TO BOX M'COY

Meet in Brooklyn Tuesday-Hoosier to

Be Darcy's Foe

will meet in a scheduled ten-round bout at

the Broadway Sporting Cuth. Brooklyn. Tuesday night, according to an announce-ment today. Dillon, according to Grant

Hugh Browne, will be matched after this

bout with Les Darcy, the Australian, al-though he overlooks the fact that McCoy holds a previous contrast from Browne, calling for a Darcy-McCoy battle.

Central High vs. Germantown High, at Germanfown Northeast vs. Trades School, at Nicetown Boys Clubilade'ndia High vs. Frankford High, at Frankford High.

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SCHOOL ATHLETIC

N. Y. DOG SHOW **CLOSES TONIGHT**

Exhibit in Philadelphia Starts at Horticultural Hall Monday Morning

QUEEN BESS II A VICTOR

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 .- The forty-firs NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The forty-first annual bench show of the Weatminster Kennel Club, which has been attracting record-breaking crowds at Madison Square Garden for the last four days, will close conight. The remaining classes to be judged will include the James Mortimer Memorial Trophy for the best American-bred dog and the competition for the cham-pions of the different classes for the pre-micr beners of the show—that of the best dog exhibited. In addition to these events, the hound classes, which are always held for the final day, attracted a big society growd and made a striking appearance in crowd and made a striking appearance the ring

The Philadelphia show, which opens at Horticultural Hall on Monday morning, will have many of the prize-winners of the national eshibition. All the preliminary plans looking to the transportation of th logs to Philadelphia have been completed, and when "taps" sound tonight motor-trucks and other vehicles will be ready to convey the hundred thousand dollar caning

was Queen Beas II, owned by W H, and P, b. Folwell. This well-bred dog has met with several memorable successes during the last week and added to the list of her victories that of the non-sporting class, which is a new and novel institution for the show ¹ Another victory also went to the Bob White Kennels, of Radnor, when Bob White Getssdale Ronald secured a sec-ond ribbon in the sporting class, which had

more than it the sporting close, worse of the best-filled classes of the show, Among the successful Philadelphia ex-hibitors were Amon J. Drexel, whose har-lequin Great Dans, Alma Herrlich, was lequin Great Dane, Alma Herrlich, was placed second to M. Hedman's Senta Praff. This class furnished one of the best com-petitions of the morning, and it was only notitions of the morning, and it was only after each dog had undergone a special examination by the judge, Paul C. Blass, that a decision was reached. That the present high cost of living has made itself feit in dogdom was evinced by the fact that Raymond Belmont, son of August Belmont, the New York hanker, offered \$6000 for the pointer, Mary Montrow, which has been very successful not only at which has been very successful not only at the show, but at the recent field trials. William Zeigler, Jr., the owner of the dog, declined the offer, remarking that his dog was not for sale. Mr. Zeigler purchased Mary Montrose, with three others for \$7000. The high watermark for a sale was reached late last night, when Mrs. M. E. Harby sold her particolored Pekingese. Nowata Swinley Li Lien, to Mrs. A. L. Holland for \$2000. It is estimated that the total sales during the show aggregate \$12,000, but this will be more than doubled before the show closes. which has been very successful not only at ofore the show closes.

BUSH, SWARTHMORE STAR

SWARTHMORE, Pa., Feb. 23.-Alva E. Bush, star fullback for the last two years of the Swarthmore College football team,

in the State, and has been on Walter Camp's honor role since he entered the Quaker Institution two years ago

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS By LOUIS H. JAFFE

one-time lightweight champion, undoubtedly means the passing of the Cadillac Plowboy from the fistic horizon. Critic and close friends of the Michigan battler advised Wolgast to give up boxing as far back as 1914, and, while he went into retirement several times, he always came back for "just one more." In fact, Wolgast was getting in shape for a come-back cam-

paign in Chicago, bis first match to be with Terry McGovera in Philadelphia, when he was taken ill. Shortly after Wolgast won the lightweight championship from Eattling Nelson, getting a "knock-out" decision in the fortieth round by Referee Eddle Smith, in February, 1916, Adolph went under an op-eration for appendicitis. When he recov-ered Wolgast never was the same rugged little fighting machine that stood off the durable Nelson for two score of rounds. However, he scored a most noteworthy

knock-out when he stopped Owen Moran in thirteen rounds, and later gained a ques-tionable victory over Joe Rivers. In November, 1912, Willie Ritchie lifted Wola foul in sixteen rounds a While the Cadillac light gastis crown on a fo Daly City, Cal. weight took part in many battles there-

cargo to the Quaker City. Among the Philadelphia winners today

BACK, LEAVES COLLEGE

has left college, presumably on account of scholastic conditions. Bush was one of the best backfield men

THE nervous breakdown of Ad Wolgast, jafter, he had a lot of trouble w

hands and arms and never showed a form to warrant him a try to reg laurels.

Eddie Shannon, who won from Terry McGr. orn in his first exastern match, easin will be we fore a Philadelphila sudices when the Prin-introvisit minutes with Joe Koons at it amiris formich. Keens has been improving faster than any buy in the northeastern sector of the city. The other boats are Charley Day is Johnny Duffy, Chick Myers vs Tommy Lan-don, Mike Burns vs Tommy Carey and Edd Hanlon vs. Joe Schyran.

Art Maziri, a Milwaukee welterweisht econty returned from Australia, meets eughin, of South Bethlebow. In the sta t the National A. C. tomorraw night wither heats Johnny Maloney mosts Jimmy rs and Presten Brown tackles Eddle P mans with Joe Augasts meeting Joe Wi of Glardville, and Goodie Welsh meeting

Sallor Carroll, the California heavyweight in New York. He meets Joe Bonds in a ten

Lew Tendler's left hand Montas night at the Olympia. Hattling of Toledo, will show in a debut mate wilted against Johnny Mayo, Jimmy a. Johnny Mealy is another sel-to ar inter bouts are Jack Doyle vs. Frankle ind Al Pox vs. Joe Eagan.

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than his last effort showed. Kauff's hitting last season began to show inprovement as the season approached its end. Davy Robertson will be planted in right field and George Burns in left, unless all the signs fail. They are both mighty hitters and far above the average as fielders. For a pitching staff McGraw has the

man in the lengue. Arthur Fletcher, another brilliant per-former, will be at shortstop. Every one of these cogs in the inner ma-chine, with the exception of Hoike, is a veteran performer. There isn't a chance that a youngster will take the place of any of them, and for that reason there will be Hathern High vs. Lansdale High, at Lans-dale (evening), Doylestown High vs. Abington High, at Abington (evening), Peerless Plensure Club vs. Girard College 2d, at Girard, Lower Merion High vs. Darby High, at Darby (evening). few recruits on hand. This defense un-doubtedly will stand through the season. The outfield is just as strongly organized and will have this year an additional bul-wark in the person of Red Murray, provided Darby (evening). Temple University girls vs. Kensington Y. W. C. A., at Temple. TRACK Inaverford College interscholastic track (overling). South Philadelphia High vs. West Phila-delphia High, at West Philadelphia. Northeast High vs. Central High, at Cen-tral High School

McGraw decides to retain the sorrel-topped Benny Kauff will have the center field po

> NEW YORK; Feb. 23 .- Jack Dillon, of ndianapolis, and Al McCoy, of Brooklyn,

couthful but brilliant Schupp as a nucleus

New York contracts. These, with Lew Mc-Carty to lead the way, form an efficient

