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Team Has Been Surprise of League This on; Manager Proves Himself True Patriot in Helping Men in U.S. Uniform

### By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger

what a difference a year will make in baseball? Last May time the Athletics were limping along in the good old-fashioned one and dropping five games without turning a hair. The e big joke of the major leagues and the humorous guys kep: pulling new ones on Connie and his cellarettes. But that was a en Stuffy McInnis, Amos Strunk, Joe Bush, Ping Bodie and g were on the payroll. These blokes were high-class performgood was their talent when the team couldn't win ball games? onnie turned them loose into the cruel world, and got nothing a roll big enough to choke the subway and a flock of regular who could deliver the goods. Manager Mack was severely parting with his stars, but the deal was just as foolish as ckel cigar for two bits. The lean leader had something up his sleeve, and just naturally outguessed some seven other manaleague.

nt the A's are in sixth place and even the harshest critic will they will be in the first division before many weeks have passed. re playing ball like real players and are getting into the game love the sport-not the semimonthly pay check. There is a rit among the athletes and it takes a mighty good ball club to No matter how many runs the other team is ahead, the Athon fighting and many games have been pulled out of the fire. two games with Washington for an example. On Friday the larted out with a three-run lead in the first inning. Now that to discourage any club; but Connie's hopefuls came back in their inning and scored two. After that the lead was cut down, the forged ahead and never were headed.

irday it was discouraging to draw a blank when three men were none out. The Mackmen tried hard to shove over a counter, Johnson proved himself too crafty and nothing happened. The ip against a big handleap when Johnson strolled into the pitcher's was a pitcher recognized as the best in the business burning 'em naking the strongest batters look foolish. An ordinary team would down and died, but the A's are not ordinary. Far be it from that, on plugging and it was one of the youngsters-one who probably d Johnson for years-who made the winning hit. That's the drit the Athletics have this year and it is responsible for the

### Athletics Are Likely to Be Hard Hit by the Draft

to the colors cost Clark Griffith three men last week when Yingont and Gharrity left the club, and two others, Dr. Johnny Craft, are likely to go at any time. The Washington club has s of these men, but how about the other clubs in the league? t the Athletics and the youngsters in the line-up?

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### MINOR LEAGUES BUSY WEEK FOR GEORGE CHANEY MINGLES PENN ATHLETES WITH FRANKIE CALLAHAN **GET GOOD START** FOR 1918 SEASON IN FEATURE AT OLYMPIA Undefeated Crews Will

fights Jack Sharkey

By JAMES S. CAROLAN

Make Local Debut Against Yale in Big Event

TWO TRACK MEETS

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Two Lightweights With Knockout Punches to Entertain Independent Organizations in Tonight's Wind-Up-Pete Herman Outof Vicinity Have Prom-

Minor league baseball received a fiving start on Saturday in this vicinity and despite the weakening of a number of clubs through the absence of men

serving their country at the front, the reason promises to be a good one. The majority of managers made ample preparation for inroads on their forces at any time, due to the coming drafting of additional men, and the season will bring back to the active ranks many old timers who have been watching play from the side lines and also introduce a much younger element, virtually every

JOE WOOD'S COMEBACK AS MAJOR LEAGUE OUTFIELDER **BIG 1918 SEASON FEATURE** 

Refusal to Believe That He Was "Through" Caused One-Time Hurling Star to Make a Try for Another Position-Has Done Great Work So Far

### By SPICK HALL

TOE WOOD, cratwhile pitcher of the Red Sox, after being counted out by baseball managers throughout the majors, has come back with bells on, so to speak. But he has not come back as a pitcher. It is possible that the managers were right-Joe's pitching days are over. If Wood himself believed that he did not allow it to interfere at all with his plans He told Lee Fohl, manager of the Cleveland club, last winter that he was willing to pay his own expenses to training camp and then after he had got into condition talk over the matter of a contract. Previously Fohl had been in doubt as to Wood's ability and had not offered him a contract. Naturally there was nothing else for Fohl to do but accept Wood's train ing offer

Wood went to camp and he got in condition. He is only thirty years old, consequently he knew that his athletics were not over, even if his arm had become glass. He was always a good hitter for a pitcher and when he was tried out as an outfielder he showed that he is due to make one of the best gardeners in the business. So far this season Wood has played a splendid game in the field and his stick work has been of material assist ance to the Cleveland club.

Wood's come-back is due to his buildeg tenacity. He has the British temperament of not knowing when he is beaten, hence it is hard to beat him. It was this spirit that brought him from the ranks of a has-been pitcher to an outfielder of ability. Wood was always a fighter for games, This was demonstrated by his fine record during the season of 1912, when he was one of the main factors in the Red Sox pennant victory, and in the world's series the biggest factor in his club's win over the New York Giants in an eight-game contest.

Wood is five feet eleven inches tall, weighs 190 pounds and is in fine condition. With this powerful physique he is sure to become better as the season advances, and when it wanes he will be recognized as one of the most useful outfielders in the game, to say nothing of being a player who refused to quit.

Very few men have been high-grade pitchers and then returned to the game in another capacity. The most notable example of this was the case of Frank Isbell, who, after having once been a pitcher, became one of the best second basemen in the business. His fielding and batting throughout the season of 1966 materially aided the White Sox to capture the American League pennant and subsequently to take the world's series from the Cubs

### More College Contests Advocated

TO STIMULATE college athletics, the Harvard Alumni Bulletin advocates the playing of four contests between two colleges instead of pitting the four class teams against each other. The idea is to permit more general participation in the games than is possible when only one contest is staged. A part of this editorial says:

"We have recently remarked upon the desirability of seizing the present moment for improving the conditions of college athletics. Rumors of what may be done here and there keep floating about, but as yet we have learned of no constructive co-operative plan for bringing about a truer relation between athletics and the other interests of college life.

"Imagine, for example, that two colleges should agree not to abandon FLAGS GALORE RAISED a crowning match at the end of the season in football, baseball or rowing. but instead of having such a match played between university teams should arrange that the best class team in either college should play the best class team in the other. Thus, instead of having one eleven, nine or crew, on which the eyes of all the world are fixed, there would be four, in any one of which it would be an equal honor to win a place.

"The candidates would naturally appear in largely increased numbers, the pleasure and profit of organized games would be widely extended, the series of class contests throughout the season would provide plenty of domestic excitement, with a healthy opportunity at the end for the entire college and the alumni themselves to join in supporting the cock of their walk when matched against the corresponding bird from another pit."

## Credit Due Penn and Joe Wright

MUCH credit is due to the crews of the University of Pennsylvania and to their able instructor. Joe Wright, for the fine showing made by the

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ot the first time Connie has stepped to the front in an emersergency is a good word. Last spring a year ago, soon after red. I interviewed Connie in Atlanta in regard to his plans Ban Johnson had ordered the players to take up military drill a bigger idea than that.

entertained the public for a long time," he said, "and the m kind to me. The same goes for my players, and now that big feather in the brown hat of Joseph as he was troubled with rheumatism and come we are ready to fight for them. If my entire ball club Wright.

I would congratulate the men. I would not ask a single Another Pitchers' Duel and play ball."

said he would turn over Shibe Park to the military authoring if they desired to use it as a drill ground.

the Garnet Field Saturday. The last time the two Quaker teams met a four-time that and the fans have not forgotten it. The soldiers and know that a man who goes out of his way to make things for the men in service, despite the fact he is losing money is own business, is a true patriot. That's the strongest thing the decision, 1-0. These two will again do the hurling for their respective teams. lack was the man who allowed the marines' football team

## of a Fair Deal and Other Things Like That

night Eddie O'Keefe, a Philadelphia boy who has made a off in the boxing ring, met a youngster named Young nal A. A. Eddie put up a great battle, worked hard ave the spectators a run for their money, won the bout out instead of receiving applause, he was hooted at the not sound like the sportsmanship of Philadelphia fight ered the fairest and squarest in the world. A home boy if he does anything worth while, but O'Keefe appar-

ring today has had the hard luck of Eddie O'Keefe. notcher in his class, but every time he gets going good cident and is forced to begin all over again. He is trying but he needs the help and encouragement of the fans. battle, give him credit. If he doesn't, then will be the customary, "raz." Eddle was accused of using the y night. He couldn't help himself, as his opponent de-Eddie shouldn't have been blamed for that. and bars no one. Jack Weinstein, his manager, ninal sum, invest O'Kecfe's share of the fighter in real money. No one could

the Giants? write year, all things

schanged with spectators. It undoubt-edy is one of the best crews to repre-sent Penn within the last decade, despite the fact that it is probably the lightest. A little more than a year ago Chaney

sent Penn within the last decade, despite the fact that it is probably the lightest. Vale this year has the lightest varsity crew in its history, the oarsmen aver-aging 172 pounds, which is just eight pounds heavier than the Penn blades. The victory of such a light Quaker crew against eights from the Navy. Princeton and Columbia certainly is a big feather in the brown hat of Joseph about through.

Mayo's Message

Aside from the crew race, the most important event will be the baseball game between the Red and Blue and Two days after that engagement Mayo walked quietly into the office, showing plainly that he had been under a severe shelling. Johnny smiled faintly when asked if Chaney was a good boy. Swarthmore, which will be played on the Garnet Field Saturday. The last

"Make no mistake, he's still there with the ol' kick," said Mayo. "Why, that fellow even crogsed me. If I had thought for one minute he was in condition, do you even suppose I would ever have got in the same ring with him? Not much.

"I was tipped off that George was in a bad way with rheumatism, and that he could hardly take a free swing. One of my friends was down in Baltimore for a few days and watched him work out in freshmen runners this week. The first will take place tomorrow afternoon at Franklin Field when the yearling athietes will oppose the combined pre schools. The freshmen lost to the com pres the gymnasium. Why, would you be-lleve it, this friend of mine said George bined high schools last week. The second track meet will be against the Cornell freshmen on the home lot Saturday. was through and that fight probably would be his last.

Almost Ruined Johnny

Dr. Walter Cariss's freshman nine will appear against the Brown Pres Dr. Walter Cariss's freeman n will appear against the Brown P team Saturday afternoon, but the so of battle has not been selected as y it is probable that the game will staged at Franklin Field. "Well, it wasn't George's last battle "Well, it wasn't George's last battle, but it almost ruined me. He never hit better in his life and if that bird is in condition he'll knock 'em all dead. Yes, sir, he's some puncher. I ought to know." Chaney has been taking excellent care of himself and has shown no signs of suffering from any rheumatism in any of his recent battles. He is still the same careless fibter one willing to take

of his recent battles. He is still the same careless fighter, one willing to take ter blows to land three. He's just the kind of boy who forces the fighting all the time. He received a severe setback against Rocky Kausas here hast tall-but has displayed improved, form since. Callahan has not been worked very hard this season and should be at his best. His last fights here were against Terry McGovern and Young Joe Borrell, meeting both within one week. He was an easy winner on each occasion. in Baseball Today 100 Min 1971 Pete Herman Wins

Service Bouts Here

Industrials Are Busy An all-star boxing and wrestling pro-

The Industrials, as usual, are busy at baseball, and two of the Workingmen's gram, in which only service men will compete, will be held at the National Wednesday night. The bouts will Leagues played their first contests. be listed as the army and navy boxing and wrestling championships. It will be a four-cornered competition in which the League Island Marines, League Island Naval Training Camp, the Wis-schickon Barracks of Cape May and Several close affairs occurred in the Manufacturers' League and others were one-sided. Stokes & Smith defeated Becker, Smith & Page 13-7. Harry Passon started for the wallpaper manufacturers and in three innings Stokes & Smith made all its runs. Manager Paul Brun-field then sent Illing to replace Passeo and the latter held his opponents runthe Allentown Ambulance Corps will

The purpose of the tournament is to The purpose of the tornament is to stimulate recruiting and to raise funds to aid athletics at the service head-quarters represented in the tourney. Athletic Director McCracken, of League Island, is in charge of the show. less. innings and Monotype won from J. T. Lewis 4-1. Walter Nexin pitched fine ball for Lewis, holding Monotype to four bits, but costly errors lost the game.

Butterworth is the most dangerour crowd in this league. Scraps About Scrappers

Four decidedly one-sided affairs oc-ured in the Philadelphia Manufacturers' circuit, the winner in each instance com-Lew Tendler has started training for his out with Phil Bloom, the clever Brooklyn altweight. They come together in the find-up at the Olympia A. A. next Monday lightweigh wind up at evening. pletely outclassing the opposition as can be seen by these scores: Philadelphia Textile 17. Tabor Manufacturing 1; Philadelphia Roll Company 7. American Pulley 0; Hoopes & Townsend 22, Stand-ard Pressed Steel 5; Quaker City 14.

Johnny Johnny Dunder, the walloping Won, has severed from his recent stark of meu-iona, and his first hout will take place as ew Haven with Low Tendler. The contest i scheduled to go twenty rounds on May 20. the wallonin dilott-Lewis 0.

to Northwest Association, made itial bow. Northwest Memorial red a 12-9 coat of whitewash on 1 Frank Carbone, the fast middleweight to Joe Borrell, the local boxer, will come sether in a ten round bout at Hazieton shight ----Dutch:

Harry Greb, the Pittsburgh middleswight, has started training for his ten-round en-ounter with Soldier Hartfeld of Brooklyn. They will box in Pittsburgh, May 10. Calvary Reformed won from Bethany 11-5, and Schwenkfelder, by eighth and ninth-foning rallies, defeated Olivet Cov enant 6-1.

A triple windows will make up the part of the National A. A next Saturday might. Joe Weish and Jimmy McCabe will bos for the weiterweight ittle of Pennaylvania, in the first canto: Eddie Wascond faces Allie Nack in the second, and Young Joe Borrei oxes Frish Patsy Cline in the closing bout

Joe Lynch, the New York bantam, prob-bly will be seen in sction at Hostop in a few weeks, pitted sgainst Frankie Brown, also of New York.

Augie Rainer, the Brown mid-nests Johnny Wilson, of Poston, ound scrap at Chelsea, Mass.,

Joe Fran, the Boston middleweight has minined training for his twelve-round con-test with Tommy Robsen, of Malden, Mass. at Boston, tomorrow night.

Sileni Martia, of New York, has been matched in meet Harry Krohn, a western middleweight, in a fifteen-round bout at Akron. O., May 16.

Bantamweight Champion Pete Her-man celebrated his first fight in this city since last December by outboxing and outfighting Jack Sharkey in the siz-

THE latest plan to boost tennis for women was conceived by Mrs. Hope Doeg, of Santa Monica, Cal., who was formerly Miss Violet Sutton, of fthe famous Sutton sisters, racket wielders de luxe. Mrs. Doeg, who, by the way, is the only woman professional in the world, advocates a national

tennis tournament for girls to be held here in Philadelphia in connection with the annual women's championships, which are staged on the courts of the Philadelphia Cricket Club at St. Martins,

Mrs. Doeg believes that children should be given a tennis racket and ball when they are four years old, in order that they may become accustomed to the "feel" of the racket. In this way she thinks the youngsters will, after they become older, have no difficulty in learning and perfecting the various strokes, because having begun at that early age, wielding the Butterworth walloped Sellers 7-0; Wheeler nosed out Link Belt 6-5 in ten racket will have become second nature to them.

A summary of Mrs. Doeg's arguments for tennis for girls follows: First. It is a good, active exercise, but not too strenuous. Second. It teaches one to be quick and graceful in footwork. Third. It develops plenty of strength and muscle.

Fourth. It reduces the weight if one is inclined to be too heavy and nakes the figure graceful.

### Writers Prevent Baseball Crime

BAN JOHNSON and John K. Tener can thank the baseball writers today that they did not perpetrate a baseball crime at Harrison. N. J., yesterday. The Phillies were to have been compelled by the moguls of organized baseball to meet the Brooklyn club at the Newark park in a Sunday contest, thereby putting the national agreement in the same class as other well-known scraps of paper.

There is no doubt in the minds of both writers and fans, that the heads of organized baseball were determined to invade the territory of the International League, on the theory that they could make up a portion of the \$10,000 a year which they have to pay for the park at Harriscn, and incidentally they thought they could get away with it. They were obviously

of the opinion that every one would fall for their game and that New York and Philadelphia fans with lots of spare time and change would fall over each other in their efforts to get to a real major league Sunday contest in the East. But they figured wrong; not the first time, by the way, that they have failed in foresight.

P.C .000 .006 Baseball fans want the game played on the square, and they also want every one connected with baseball treated as they should be. When the various writers rose up in arms and showed up the tricky plan of Johnson

and Tener the fans' eyes were opened, and it is likely that if the Phillies P.C. 000 000 had met Brooklyn yesterday on the New Jersey lot there would not have been enough fans present to pay for the day's expenses.

But the question still remains, What is organized baseball going to do with that park at Harrison? On Saturday a corps of workmen were busy putting things into shape for a baseball game, although the Phillies-Brooklyn game had been called off. Whatever they do, these rulers of the national pastime should now know clearly that they will not be supported P.C. 000 000 000 by any one if they attempt to Prussianize the rights of the International or any other league.

### Phillies Are Headed for the Cool, Dark Cellar

OUR Phils have covered themselves with grime and mud in the last week and are threatening to oust Brooklyn and Boston from their comfortable roost in the diamal swamp. Four shutouts and one bad beating casualty list for the week. Failure to score runs is the principal price their derestall. Also, more pitchery are needed. Moren deserved to

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