LL AND CHICK EVANS WRITE ON TOPICS OF LINKS INTERESTING TO PHILADEL PHIA GOLFERS

HITE SOX ON TOBOGGAN ND MACKS HAVE CHANCE **TO SINK CHAMPS DEEPER**

sth-Place Chicago Team That Opens Against Athletics at Shibe Park Today Were Contenders Just **One Year Ago**

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledge

NE year ago today the Chicago White Sox, who are here today in the ing tilt of a series with the Athletics, were running a dead heat the Boston Red Sox for first place. It was not until later in the season 1917 that Rowland's folks stepped out in front and showed their heels and thip qualities to the other contenders for the American League On July 16, 1917, the Red Sox had a three-point lead over the White The standing then was:

| | Won | Lost | Pet. |
|---------|--------|------|------|
| Boston | 50 | 30 | .625 |
| Chicago | 51 | 31 | .622 |

This morning's figures show that the White Sox are not only nearly out the running, but are being hard pressed by the Detroit Tigers for sixth Apparently the defection of the Sox has been complete. On paper, White Sox are just as strong comparatively as they were last year. It a true that Rowland has lost Joe Jackson, a mighty asset for any club, several members of his pitching staff, but the other clubs in the rican League have lost at least as heavily, if not more so; hence it nnot be claimed that the fall-down of the White Sox is due to a weakened dition caused by enlistment or the draft.

To what, then, can the collapse of the world's champion be attributed? Whenever a club falls down as the White Sox have fallen, the burden ust fall either on the shoulders of the manager or on the individuals of he team. The splendid work of Rowland last season in driving the Sox a a league championship and then to a warld's title over the Giants incates that he is not to blame this year for the drop of his club from the nacle to a second division club.

Rowland has the same spirit that he always possessed; has the confi e of his players and is working just as hard as he ever did, so there nothing left to the proposition but that the players themselves have llen down on the lob.

Eddie Collins Seems to Have Slowed Up

THE greatest trouble with the White Sox is their lack of power on the offensive. Last season they clouted the ball unmercifully but this son every man on the infield and in the outfield is in a prolonged slump scept Buck Weaker, who is going along at about the same clip in all partments as he did last year, and McMullin, who is playing ahead of is last year's form. Eddle Collins has tumbled woefully, not only in his hitting, but in his base running, which always has been one of the Lanswhe player's greatest assets. Eddie, when the last figures were given out, hitting only .261, while he finished last season with .289. Incidentally is only within the past two weeks that Collins has risen above the .250 mark. Last year Eddie pilfered fifty-three bases. This year, with the season over half gone. Collins has stolen just eleven bases, twenty two for the season, if he maintains that rate throughout the second half of the campaign. Of course, Eddie has not been able to go so well since he was jured, but it has not helped the White Sox any just because Eddie has good excuse

Chick Gandill is hitting below his 1917 form, and he has contributed but e stolen bases for the season, a poor record for a supposedly fast infielder world's championship club. McMullin is hitting 286 against 237 for season; but he, too, is a dim light in the base-running department.

ig stolen only seven bags. As a whole, the White Sox outfield, Murphy, John Collins and Leibold,

idedly weaker than Jackson, Felsch and Leibold of last season. hold this year is way off, hitting only .242, a miserable showing for an er who has fielded indifferently and stolen only eleven bases. faking everything into consideration, there is no reason why the White

should not be near the top fighting with the leaders for first place nt that the indviduals seem to have been so satisfied with their work of that they are taking too much for granted, with the result that the at machine is on the verge of collapse

Frank Poth Organizes Ball Team to Play the Sailors

N SUNDAY, August 4, there will be a ball game at Rockledge, Pa., between the Fourth Naval District ball club and a team which is to nown for one day only as "Poth's Patriots." It will be a regular at with big league stars, huge crowds and everything, and should be At any rate. Frank Poth, the local celebrity in the sporting and is seeking talent all over the country, and promises to have a strong line-up to present the fans.

"All summer I have been anxious to do something for the enlisted men," said Poth today, "and I believe this ball game will please them. I est to get my team that won the championship of the Delaware County League last year, but most of the boys are in the service, and I id to get outsiders to fill the gaps. Jeff Tesreau will pitch and Jack ams, of the Phils, will be behind the bat. Joe Ward, of the Blue Ridge Pague, will play first base; Harry Pearce, of the Phils, second; Jimmy shortstop; Brown, third; Howard Lohr, center field; Dick Neale, left field; Eddie Carris, right field, and Peploskie, utility man. Joe Fogarty will direct the team on that day.



TO HONOR CARMAN THREE INTERESTING GOLF PLAYERS PASSING PROBLEMS TO DISCUSS THURSDAY NIGHT

Former Stars Little Heard Tom Halton and Herb Newton Take Opposite Sides in Manager Jack Roden Anof Today, but Youngsters Deciding Two of Them-Can You Give nounces That It Will Be

the Correct Decision?

MANY DISAPPEAR THE Father and Son tournament at the would have to take the usual the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club penalty of a stroke.

By CHARLES (CHICK) EVANS, JR. The reading golf public may wonder sometimes when they will see new names of leading players. Perhaps they are tired of seeing the old names for-ever in the papers My own for instance, for while I am far from old. I have really been before the public a long time.

AMATEUR GOLF

Are Coming

WESTERN TENNIS PLAYERS **DIFFER ON THE MEANING OF THE WORD "OUT" IN RULE 21**

Some Claim That It Means to Continue Play, While Others Contend That It Means the Point Is

Over: Write to National Association

By PAUL PREP

It is more than likely that within the next few days the Rules Com-mittee of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association will receive a letter recommending a change in the rule 21 of the laws of lawn tennis, or that this rule be worded so that it will be made more clear in its meanins. While on the subject of rules

While on the subject of rules we would

to reach There is

This rule has been coming in for a great deal of discussion in the West, especially in Chicago, during the last few weeks, and many divergencies of like to clear up a point which is a bit hazy in the minds or several players who are members of the Suburban League. These players are under the few weeks, and many divergences of the second pressed by men who impression that it is illegal interesting the game for years, over the net to strike the ball. press their opinion.

over the net to strike the ball no rule which prevents a player from reaching over the net into his oppo-The rule under discussion reads as nent's court and hitting the ball as long follows: 'In case a player is obstructed as his racquet or clothing does not touch by an accident not within his control, the net.

the ball shall be considered a 'let.' But when a permanent fixture of the courts is the cause of the accident the This was settled some six or eight But when a permanent fixture of the courts is the cause of the accident the point shall be counted. The benches and chairs around the court with the there is a state of the state of the court of the c chairs around the court and the umpire side the net that it bounced back over and linesmen shall be considered perma-nent fixtures. If, however, a ball in reach it.

play strikes a permanent fixture of the court (other than the net or posts) before it souches the ground, the point is lost; if after it has touched the ground the point shall be played out." THE Indiana B. C. now is considered

Different Opinions

The last statement is the one which is causing the trouble. The majority of those who discussed the rule claim leading semiprofessional clubs in the that the meaning of the word "out" in this case is not that the ball shall be counted as an out, but that the striker Jersey; Harrowgate and Brookline. shall be permitted to play the ball if he can do so before it again touches the fast Parkesburg Iron Company, due

when the word out is used in a set the months of July and August for tence, as this one is, is that the play shall continue until the point shall be lost in a legal manner. While the ma-jority took the above view of the rule, the minority, which included President Pierce and Walter Hayes, took the view of the rule, a reasonable guarantee. Joe Meiman, manager. 1939 North Thirty-second street, or phone Diamond 527 J. street, or phone Diamond 527 J.

that the point was over. We would like to hear from some of

struck in such a manner as to strike within the limits of the court and hit the backstop on the first bound it would be that side of the net to return the ball if they could hit it before it again

They take their viewpoint on the basis that the generally accepted meaning when the word "out" is used in a sen-tence, as this one is, is that the play that be used in a sen-

Amateur Notes

the fastest traveling team in the

East. The team to date has had a very

"Carman Night" ENTERS SERVICE JULY 20 In honor of Clarence Carman, the sensational follower of motorpace, who rule. Nate Salsbury, a Chicago news-paper man, who started the argument about the interpretation of the word "out," formerly was a practicing attor-ney in New York, and gave as his pro-fessional opinion that should a ball be struck in such a manner as to strike

struck in such a manner as to strike within the limits of the court and hit the backstop on the first bound it would be from a traveling team of that class. B. L. perfectly legal for any one playing on that side of the net to return the ball Woodland 4457 between 8 and 9 p. m.

mate on July 20, Jack Roden, manager of the Point Breeze Motordrome, last evening announced that this Thursday evening at the motordrome would be

that the point was over. We would like to hear from some of the players in this city and vicinity as to what their opinion is of this rule. Another Difference Another Difference Fairhill Professionals has July 27 and all of August open for any first-class teams of that class having home grounds in or out of town and offering a suitable attraction. J. P. McDermolt, manager. 2783 Orkrey street, or phone Kensington 6339.



"I am getting this team together out of my own pocket, and am paying all of the expenses. My idea is to get the best talent available, and give "the men in the service a real ball game."

Poth made quite a record for himself last year in the Delaware County League. He managed Chester and won the pennant in a post-season series with Upland. Frank had something to say about last year's experience, and got the following load off his chest:

"We won the pennant last year," he orated, "but I can't prove it, The league did not send us a flag, nor did it hold the banquet for the winning team. Furthermore, the league did not even notify me that my team had finished first and did not return the money each club turned into the treasury to purchase a prize for the winner. I don't think it was a fair deal when everything is considered.

"I spent close to \$20,000 on the Chester team last year, and the receipts of each game seldom were more than \$200. It was a losing proposition from the start, but I stuck to it. I wanted to please the fans of Chester, who to my mind, are the greatest on earth. They are fair and honest, and I ast them at every opportunity. I wish I could do the same for the

Poth is offering a gold watch to the best batter on the naval teams stationed at League Island. The award will be made at the close of the

Big Ten Will Play Football This Fall

INTERCOLLEGIATE football in the Western Conference will be played as usual this fail. There has been talk of the "Big Ten" abandoning the gridiron sport this fall owing to the "uncertainty of conditions in regard to sports due to the prevailing war conditions." All doubt, however, been shattered by the decided stand taken by Marion L. Burton, presi-

of the University of Minnesota. Burton declared recently that Minnea had arranged her football schedule and intended to go through with it. resident Burton's declaration of Minnesota's policy came as a reply to etter which President William Lowe Bryan, of Indiana University, had sed to presidents of the other universities of the "Big Ten" asking views upon the football question. He asked two questions: first, to what the individual university intended to do, and, second, if it was pinion of the president addressed that the matter should be handled individual colleges or by the conference entire

Hope to Write Next From Unter den Linden

THEN we reached the office this morning we were greeted by a most welcome assortment of mail which the office boy had arranged in his al tidy manner all over the desk. Among the long, small and what-not were four marked "Soldiers' mail from over there."

The first was from Louis Harold Jaffe, originator of the "Scraps About pers" column, who now is a battalion sergeant major. Jaffe has taken part in sports activities in France, and wishes to be remembered to the boxing frateraity of this city.

The second envelope was from none other than Billy Grauel, who hed the typewriter in Jaffe's place and whom boxing fans will remember "Bill Bell." Billy has just arrived over there, and while he says little or ng about conditions on the other side, he admits that the department will be in receipt of a letter from Berlin in a few months.

Fans who frequented the local boxing clubs during the last six years aber Bobby Reynolds, the popular lightweight. Bobby is a of the new National Army, and has arrived safely "somewhere in Reynolds sent only a short note, but says he is keeping his guard nd doing the best he can.

abing expert. Although Devir wrote notes about the gunners and he was known to many men in the puglistic world. About three to he managed Sailor Jack Carroll, then a very promising heavy-

It is encouraging to hear of them, be-cause the others are constantly slip-of bounds, if in the latter case his ball hole. Twice the ball stopped dead over is in bounds, but Herb could not see it the cup. I waited for a miracle, but it nues ine others are constantly super of bounds, it in the latter case his ball hole. The the the for a miracle, but it pring away. Perry Adal and Bobby is in bounds, but Herb could not see it that cup. I waited for a miracle, but it increases are famous the country over, but that way, and the numerous fathers and never happened, and I lost the hole. Perry has now reached the age of sons who heard the discussion were Can you beat that for hard luck?" What is your decision in the matter that he expected to join the navy this

Therefore, I am glad to be able ention the names of a few others How About This One? to mention the

who may be able to take the places left. Here is another golf problem. In a vacant by the young patriots. drives were used one of the women drove into a ditch, and the man elected



LAST HONORS FOR ROSS Aviator Killed in Texas Buried at Northwood

penalty. There is carry of 140 yards, and women adopted this rule as few of Brief, impressive and simple were the them can carry the hazard. aervices over the body of Lleutenant Harry Shelmire Ross, aviator and col-The point was whether he should be lege athlete, at Andrew Bair's funeral

allowed to lift out without penalty or drop for the loss of the stroke penalty. One of the players contended that as arlors. Nineteenth and Arch streets. yesterday afternoon. Dressed 'in his officer's uniform, the bler of Lieutenant Ross was banked the woman had driven the shot there was no penalty, as the play was not com-plete until the ball was actually lifted. As she would lift it the woman's rule been three sides with flowers. At the head and foot of the coffin stood two maintained. Another player claimed that marines at attention, while a bugier was as the man elected to play the second

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stationed to the left of a navy chaplain who conducted the services. The par-lors were crowded with friends of the lieutenant. There were delegations from the fraternities of which he was a mem-ber at the Central High School and the

Iniversity of Pennsylvania. Four marines and two aviation lieutenants acted as pallbearers. One of the officers, Lieutenant Joseph J. Gal-lagher, accompanied the body from Wichita Falls, Tex. Interment was in Tonight Northwood Cemetery.

Al Orth Enlists for Y. M. C. A. Work Lynchburg, Va., July 16 — Al Orth. former American League pitcher and umpire, was accepted tentatively yester-day by the Young Men's Christian Asso-ciation for work with the American army in France as an athletic director. He will confer soon with the war work council of the association in New York.

Miske Whips Bartley Madden dersey City, N. J., July 16.—Rilly Miske, of St. Paul, outfought Bartley Madden, of New York, in an eight-pound hout last night. Miske carried the fight to bis opponent in every round, using right hooks to the head and body, while Madden depended on right and left swings. Miske was hit low, twice in the fourth round, but made no claim,

up

Real Havana

Scranton, Pa., July 16.—Because of con-ditions brought on by the war, coupled with the fact that the circuit experienced a dis-astrous season in its last campaign, the chances are that no attempt will be made to reorganize the Fenneylvania Basketball League for the coming winter.



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