# **IFTH GAME NEARLY WAS SHORTEST WORLD SERIES ENGAGEMENT ON RECORD**

One Strike Was Called-Then Called Off-and Cubs **Prolong Fray by Winning After Delayed** Start by Three-Love

#### By ROBERT W. MAXWELL Sports Editor Evening Public Ledger Boston, Sept. 11.

CROWD which, including the deans and other deadheads, totaled 25,000, stepped into Mr. Frazee's ball park yesterday afternoon and almost witnessed the shortest world series game in the history of baseball. This wonderful gathering was ready to knock off work and call it a day at 5 p. m., for at that time it looked as if the fifth conflict of the world series was over and the only action they received was an eyeful-ONE STRIKE. That's what they almost saw, but at the last moment it was decided to forget such trivial matters as world series cuts and battles with the National Commission and the players put on the battle as per schedule.

Of course, as you probably know by this time, the Cubs grabbed the same, three love, which was mighty good considering the late start. But it must be remembered any one can win a ball game, but it takes wonder ful endurance to sit in a grand stand and gaze upon a vacant ball lot. which had every appearance of No Man's Land. Had a poet been among those present he would have turned out something better than this, but along the same lines:

> Tucas on an autumn evening. A goodly ground was there That nigh filled Frazer's ball park. A mile from Copley Square.

The commission cut the divers. The players cheired the ray But no one hit a baseball And no one touched a bao

#### Members of Commission an Evasive Set

THE inside dope on the whole affait has many startling disclosures. On Monday morning the players thoughtlessly tried to arrange a meeting with the commission, but were foiled because those hard-working gents seldom arise prior to high noon. Therefore the meeting was postponed until that night, with the same result. The members of the commission evidently forgot they had a date, so all the players had to do was to wait until midnight and read an account of the ball game in the morning papers

That conference on Monday night was quite important. The members of the commish met after a hard day at the ball park. They rested for a time and it was decided to have a fifteen-course dinner served in their headquarters, one course being a sandwich. After that it was too late and the members of the Commish postponed the meeting until yesterday morning. They were on the job at that time, although an hour late, and listened to the sad, tale told by Harry Hooper. They made one of their usual rulings, which meant nothing, but the players apparently were satisfied, for they expected as much.

The scene then shifted to the ball park, where the bold, brave athletes were about to lock horns in one of those well-known crucial games. Les Mann, the Trotsky of the Cubs, who also is known as the clubhouse lawyer, thought it would be a good plan to call a strike without the assistance of the umpires, and the deed was done. The whole works came to a stop and the commish notified there would be no same that day. The commish told the players to do nothing until they arrived, which was at 2:35 eastern lime, five-minutes after the game was scheduled to begin. Then came the final act, which that same poet would have recorded as follows:

> "What do you want?" asked Herrmann. "We want the dough," said Mann. "We want the swag," said Hooper. "You'll get the yate," said Ban

#### Players Wilt Under Ban's Tearful Appeal

IT WAS Ban Johnson's sincere oratory that knocked the players stiff and caused them to change their minds. Painting a patriotic wordpicture of the eager soldlers in France waiting for the score of the game and how disappointed they would be if nothing was flashed' across the ocean, Ban made such a hit that he even shed a few tears himself, and that was too much for the strikers.

They will have another meeting today some time and probably hold another strike. All they want to do is to show their brotherly love and affection toward the other ball players who are entitled to a share of the awag by cutting them out entirely and taking all of the money themselves. It is the fraternal spirit which has made baseball what it is. Right now allow us to state the players will not get their demands and the series will be played out to the last inning.

However, the preliminary fracas worked wonders with the Cubs, for they went out and swiped the game from under the very noses of the guys







liminary Practice

## Report Tomorrow for Pre-

State College, Pa., Sept. 11.—Hugo Bezdek, Pennsylvania State's new direc-tor of physical education and athletics, has summoned all candidates for the Blue and White's football eleven for pre-

Sunday Exhibition at White-marsh Sept. 22 Is Canceled The big solf match slated to be played by the clubs in the first

who had taken three out of four from them

IT WAS one of the best world series games ever seen, for both clubs fought hard, evidently in an effort to make more money for the club owners.

### Long Layoff Helps Vaughn to Win

BIG Hippo Vaughn, who has pitched but three games thus far, was in great shape after his long layoff and knocked down the batters in order. His slants smoked and scintiliated as they never smoked or scintiliated before, and only five scattered wallops were registered by the foe. From the fourth to the ninth inning the Bostonese went out in order, and during the fracas only thirty batters faced him. Of course, he was aided by three dandy double plays and some swell fielding, but it was his pitching that did the work. It pays to be a Joe Grimm in baseball. Had Vaughn quit after his second defeat he never would have won yesterday.

Ed Barrow, or whoever is managing the ball club, made a great se ection when he sent in Sam Jones to hurl the pellet. Sam might be the est pitcher in the world and he may be the worst. But the batboy could have been just as important, for what good is a good pitcher if a ball club can't score any, runs? The Red Sox couldn't connect with Vaughn and unly got men as far as second twice. Therefore, Carl Mays or Joe Bush still are available, while Fred Mitchell must come back and use Tyler today. . . .

THEN if the Cubs win Vauphn can come back in the seventh battle. for one day's rest is enough for the big boy.

#### **Cub Heroes Have Visions of 1918 Title**

THE Cub players have more confidence today and expect to win the L series. They point out that all of the games were lost on a couple of badly pitched balls and poor hitting in the pinches. Now they are out of batting slump, the pitchers-meaning Vaughn and Tyler-are going d and the Red Sox are trimmed. But that's only some dope, for the Boston club still looks good and with Carl Mays in the box should win with little difficulty.

Yesterday's baltle was quite exciting and the fans who waited until the strike was over were rewarded for their vigil. Jones got in bad at the start when he had men on second and third with one out, but a circus by Whiteman, who ran in, picked Paskert's grounder off his shoelaces and doubled Hollocher off second, saved Sam for a time.

BUT in the third Munn's double sent in the first tally and Pas-kert's wallop to the fence in the eighth sent in two more.

#### Trotsky Mann, Hill-Climbing Fly-Chaser

MANN, however, saved the game in the ninth when he perpetrated a mountain-climbing act and speared a long whack which looked like a of home runs. The ball sailed to left field, which ends abruptly at foot of a steep embankment which leads up to the signboards. Mannoff as soon as the ball left the bat, but it looked like a hopeless chase. ried to climb the hill, but stumbled and feil.

A healthy oncer burst from thousands of throats, but it changed to a of dismay when Mann, turning on his back, stuck out his hands caught the ball. Perhaps another catch like that will be made some but we doubt it. It was the greatest play ever seen in a world series ny other place.

ut the, end was not yet. Another play for the book was staged when lifted a short fly behind third base which had every appearance bingle.

TOLLOCHER, however, ran into left field and made a sensa-I tional catch which nipped Boston's hopes forever.

Red Sox are the favorites in the game today, for Mays is scheduled ri against Tyler. Mitchell wants to use his left-handers to keep of the line-up.

Scraps About Scrappers

Lieutenant Harry Hill Shot Going Over the Top The first basketball niaver from this tochily to give his life in the great struggle now going on over there was Lieutenant Harry C. Hill, of Pittston, Pa. He was killed in action two weeks ago in going over the top. Hill was well known in local basket-ball circles. For the last few years he played with Bobby Winskill's Rookwood hear, and prior to his association with Rookwoed he was with the Pittston, Pa. Hill was attending the University is an other and prior to his association with Rookwoed he was with the Pittston, Pa.

weight of Connecticut, would like to be matched to meet Benny Valgar or Gus-is Lewis. Shea is under the or Gusteam, and prior to his association with Rookwood he was with the Pittston, Pa., team. He was attending the University of a maylyania when called in the draft. He trained at Camp Hancock and was a member of Corphany A of the 103d Pennsylyania Engineers. sle Lewis.

**ROCKWOOD PLAYER KILLED** 

Just before the announcement of his death he sent a letter to his father in Pittston, in which he stated that he had been through hell, spending eleven days in the trenches, but had escaped injury and was in good health. September 23.

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### **COLLEGES DROP FOOTBALL**

Intensive Military Training at Williams and Albright

Muggay Taylor, the new matchin the Atlantic City Sporting Club, ranged a good card for its weekly. Friday sight. A double wind-up is hill. Al Chung, the only Chines that doe Marks of this elty, will me-lice theor of the double wind-up.

Williams and Albright Williamstown, Mass., Sept. 11.—11 was announced today that football has been discontinued by Williams College for the corring senson. It is doubtful if any athleties are contested by varisity teams during the ensuing year, although class teams may be organized. The docision of the college officials is the outcome of the establishment by the Government of a students' army training camp here. If has been decided that the course of in-tensive military training which will be carried out leaves no time to be devoted to sports. The outdoor life of the young solders is counted on to offset the physi-cal benefits of athleties. first hour of the double wind-up and the second part will bring together Youna Brown, of New York and Editle McAn-drews of this city Joe Dorsey and Billy Hines and Editle McCloskey and Damy buck will make up the rest of the card. SUITS\$1 1.80

Myerstown, Pa., Sept. 11.—Dr. C. L. Hunt, president of Albright College, to-day made the announcement at the open-ing of the fail term that there would be no football this fail at the institu-tion. The step was necessary, he ex-plained because of the Government's re-quirement that ten hours weakly be de-voted to military training. Abright having been designated as an institu-tion for the establishment of a military training corps.





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P. M. No. ADMISSION - Grandstand and Paddock, \$1.65. Ladies, \$1.10, including war tax.

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marsh Sept. 22 Is Canceled The big goif match slated to be played at the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club on Sunday. September 22, between Thick Evans and Warren K. Wood and lerry Travers and Max Marston will not be played. The proceeds of this match were to go to the fund for disabled re-urned soldiers. On Monday the club received permis-slo. from the fuel administration to run buses to and from the trains, but as the day is a gasolineless Sunday and as the day is a gasolineless Sunday and to call off the exhibition. If it is at all possible the match may be played later in the fall and on a weekday. Chicago players this that the inhous-tion thereby other clubs in the first division of the two leagues share in the profits of the series be abrogated, in eccessary, rather than the actual par-techange the plan for division of re-two leagues. Manager Barrow, of Boston, was un-decided as between Bush and Mays for the attendance would be materially af-fected thereby it was thought advisable in the fall and on a weekday. another try.

#### Maxwell Receives Commission

William C. Maxwell, the star weight brower of Mercersburg Academy, has re-eived a commission as licutenant in the itard tables. Whatever is levicd will be itard tables. Whatever is levicd will be orps at Camp Summerall, Tobyhaffna, Pa.

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ste Lewis. Shea is under the manage-ment of Rogers and he has been matched to meet Willie Kohler, of New England. Scranton, Pa., Sept. 11.—H. Schimpf es-ablished a new swimming record for this ity vesterday, when he established a mark f 44 seconds in a forty-yard event in the M. C. A. pool. The best previous record cas 47 seconds flat a twelve-round contest to be stage

Schimpf Breaks Record

Freddy Rever, Benny Leonard's sparring actner, claims that he will surprise Gussi-ewis, of this cits, when they come together a the final load of the opening show of the door arcia of the Cambria A. U. of Fri

Johnny Dundee and Frankie Nelson of taffalo, will come together in an eight-ound scrap at Jersey City on Friday uight