

SUNDAY BASEBALL STARTS IN FLORIDA AS SOON AS BILLY BEGINS TRAINING WITH RED SOX

CHAMPION PREACHER AND CHAMPION SOX RIVAL ATTRACTIONS

'Bill' Sunday's Tent to Be Pitched in Center Field of Ball Park Used by Boston Title-Holders at Tampa—Revivalist Praises Baseball

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There are two great attractions in Tampa, and the cigar-makers are so happy that they are rolling real tobacco in the smokes for their customers. The Boston Red Sox are training across the bay and back in center field Billy Sunday is holding revival meetings or something like that.

There was a conflict in dates, and for a time it looked as if either the world's greatest preacher or the world's greatest ball club would be asked to cancel the annual visit.

'Pitch a tent for me any place,' he said. 'Let the boys have the ball ground. We will work together.'

So everything was settled and everybody satisfied. I, however, it will be an unusual spring training trip for a ball club, the same as it will be an unusual religious revival.

'I SAW Mr. Sunday in Tampa yesterday and asked him what he thought of the new arrangement. "Don't mind it a bit," he replied. "Baseball is a great sport, the majority of players are clean-minded and clean-living young men and I am glad they are near me. Let 'em talk all the halter and run wild."

'Sunday to Practice With Boston Sox' 'I ALSO wish to state,' resumed Sunday, 'that I probably will be out there practicing with the boys in the morning and hustie to the ball field after the afternoon services and be a real fan. I like baseball and can't get enough of it.'

'Baseball should have a big season. I believe it will be a trifle slow at the start, but after the first month the public will become more and more interested and the large crowds will attend the games. It is a recognized, established American sport and cannot help but be successful.'

However, it will be a strange sight to see both attractions on the same field, but the spectators should worry. If they get tired watching the game they can go to the tent and be saved, and vice versa. There will be something doing on April 5 and 6, when the New York Giants travel to Tampa to play two exhibition games. The crowd is likely to prefer baseball on those afternoons, as McGraw's troupe will be there but two days and Sunday is booked for a month.

Most of the players are in town for the opening practice today, but I will not see them until my visit there later in the week. However, there were a few on hand on Saturday, and from what I understand Frazee is having his troubles in signing them up. More than one-half of the champions have not yet agreed to terms, although they are on the job for spring training. Frazee will visit Tampa the latter part of the week and try to fix things up.

'THIS old city seems lost without the Phillies this year. For four straight seasons the National Leaguers have been training here and were considered part of the town, like the City Hall or the Municipal Band. Now the citizens are forced to sit on the benches which decorate each street corner and talk about the Civil War and the last visit of the Phillies.'

Mayor Al Lang Loses Out All Around JOHN JAY MCGRAW, who is overlooking no bet when the Giants are concerned, has planned to come here to look the town over and find out for himself what kind of a place it is for a spring training jaunt. Jawn is in Gainesville with his high-priced troupe and will travel through here on April 5 to play the Red Sox in Tampa.

Al Lang, the Mayor, is disconsolate. His Honor is a great baseball fan and in the past acted as Bill Shettsline's assistant at the ball park. He would take tickets at the auto gate, sit programs or get out and umpire if the players would stand for him. He tried hard to get some big league club to train here this spring, but lost out all around. The other clubs imagined the Phillies had a lifetime mortgage on St. Pete and laid off. It will not be like that next year, however.

His Honor is setting things ready for a big reception when McGraw hits town. The Municipal Band will be all tuned up and the best-speaking citizens will deliver orations. It will be a bigger day than the Fourth of July.

MILLER HUGGINS and his troupe of Yankees are in Jax, all primed up to get busy today. They have taken the ball yard formerly used by the Athletics, and every one is tickled to death with it. The park is across the river, which gives the boys a trip on the boat every day. Hug is pleased over the signing of Del Pratt and his sojourns are over so far as second base is concerned.

Casey Stengel May Go to Phils THERE has been a lot of gossip spilled down here in the last week about a big trade in which the Phillies are concerned. It seems strange that a rumor should start so far away from home, but the wise persons are confident they have the proper dope.

The story is that Casey Stengel will be with the Phils this year. No one knows exactly how the switch will be made, either by trade or by outright purchase, but it is said that Jack Coombs is working hard to put the deal through. The Phils have no one to use in a trade, all of the real players having been disposed of, so it looks like a cash transaction.

However, there might be a sort of three-cornered deal pulled off, with Pittsburgh, Brooklyn and the Phillies playing the important parts. Stengel needs a first baseman and has some player needed by Barney Dreyfuss. Stengel wants to leave Pittsburgh and play in the East, so a trade between those clubs is possible. Then, if Stengel is landed, a swap can be made with Coombs for Fred Luderus. Ludy will fit in nicely with the Dodgers and Stengel can do some swell outfielding for the Phils.

IF THAT deal goes through Whitted will play first base for the home folks, a position he can capably fill. However, these rumors are flying thick and fast and it is impossible to trace their origin. But it must be remembered that strange things can happen in baseball, and perhaps this is one of them.

Ball Players Will Watch Moran and Reds THE ball players down here seldom indulge in picking a pennant winner before the season starts, but this year they are predicting a great showing by Pat Moran and the Cincinnati club. At a fanning bee in Jacksonville the other night one of the athletes told a story about the Reds and their work last year.

'That was one of the best ball clubs I ever saw,' he said, 'but it was hard to get them working together. One day they would look like champions and the next like a flock of bush leaguers. Matty tried every possible way to get them going, but usually got in bad with his men.

'I remember one day in Brooklyn when Cincinnati lost a close ball game and Matty was sore. He probably thought the boys were not trying and decided to hand out some tough punishment. He told them to report for practice the next morning and get some of the sluggishness out of their systems.

'Now if there is anything a ball player hates it is practicing in the morning when they are on the road. It is especially unpopular in Brooklyn, for the players have to come over from New York, and that means they must arise early in the morning. But every one was on the job the next day and the practice was held.

'Here is a funny coincidence. I don't know how to figure it and I am making a guess. The players were angry because of the early workout, and after that they lost nineteen of the next twenty games. That was the losing streak which put them out of the pennant race.

'PAT MORAN, however, never will have any trouble like that. The new manager is popular with the players and can hold his own. He has a good ball club this year and, if he gets some more, he will just watch Cincinnati this year.'

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



MY PA BROUGHT ME THIS GERMAN HELMET - WHAT'D YOUR PA BRING YOU? NUTHIN' HE AIN'T GOT BACK

LOCAL ATHLETES STAR IN FRANCE

Former Scholastic Players Form Fast Football Team "Over There" HAVEN'T LOST A GAME Since athletics have been the order of events among the members of the American expeditionary force, and the boys abroad have been able to turn this time from the more serious business of defeating the Hun to the defeat of each other in sport, Battery F of the 198th Field Artillery, formerly the old Second Regiment, N. G. T., has enthusiastically to the fore with an all-Pennsylvania football team.

This team has defeated all opponents in the regiment and also Battery A of the 195th Field Artillery by a score of 19 to 0. In the games played their goal line has not been crossed, while they have never failed to score on their opponents. The battery is located at present in the little town of Farnes in France, and this ancient village has for the first time seen football as played in America.

Other players are Albert Dippie, of Northeast High; Walter O'Donnell, of Catholic High; "Frank" MacFarland and "Gats" Snider, of Harrisburg Tech. Among others who have made good are Roland Watson, "Mike" Wagner, John Stettler, Wiawell O'Neil and "Jack" McCarty, of Philadelphia, and "Toby" Burgenstock, Lloyd Pike, "Art" Sellers and "Bill" Cunningham from Harrisburg.

Richeser Michigan Cage Leader Ann Arbor, Mich., March 24.—(Relief O. Richeser, a junior literary student from Ann Arbor, Mich., has been named captain of the 21-20 basketball team of the University of Michigan.)

HERE IS ONE RING STAR WHO NEVER SAW 'PRO' BOUT

Miss Rohm, Leading Female Boxing Expert, Never Witnessed Real Battle IS PRAISED BY EXPERTS WALTER JOHNSON never saw a big boxing game until he joined the Washington club; Joe Bush never gazed upon the major leaguers until he reported to the Athletics and dozens of other stars failed to see the big-time mousers perform until they were directed to the bushes and transported to the majors by clever scouts.



MISS VERA ROHM

Molly, now playing at the Chestnut Street Opera House. Miss Rohm once saw Johnny Dundee work out in Billy Grupp's New York gymnasium, and now introduces a few of the jumping Johnny's ring tricks into her act. Jack Hagen, of the Kelly-Hagen boxing duo, saw Miss Rohm's exhibition and was impressed.

'That girl knows how to handle herself,' commented the veteran. 'She hits well and never backs away when nailed on the jaw. She blocks well and boxes cleverly. It's a great act.'

TILDEN VICTIM OF GOTHAM YARN

New Yorkers Trying to Make Local Star Appear as a Professional HAVE THE WRONG DOPE

By ROBERT T. PAUL Once again the petty jealousy which exists between New York and this city has cropped up. For years the natives of the so-called "Big Town" have had an ill feeling toward the athletic stars of this city. In their belief no one who claimed this city as his home could ever become a topnotcher. This high rank was only for New Yorkers. As soon as a local star became recognized throughout the country the Gothamites would endeavor to discredit the Philadelphia's ability.

This time Bill Tilden, one of the greatest tennis players of the country at the present time and incidentally a Philadelphia, has been made the butt of the New Yorkers' report, which is sure to be reprinted by the leading newspapers throughout the entire country, has originated in New York that Tilden is soon to be declared a professional and barred from amateur ranks.

Wrong From the Start Yesterday it was announced that the executive committee of the National Lawn Tennis Association would enforce strictly all of its rules, many of which lay dormant during the period of the war. Among other things it was made clear that the executive committee would not allow its members to be employed in the sporting goods department of any store or manufacturing firm. On this subject it reaffirmed the resolution of 1917, to enforce the provisions of the amateur rule.

The report then went on to say how this action was taken, following the statement that many eastern stars, including Bill Tilden and Vincent Richards, had taken positions in the tennis departments of big department stores. Also a strict interpretation of the amateur rule, it was said, would bar Tilden and Richards or else they would have to give up their present positions.

Of course, this made a great story from a news standpoint. Tilden was "runner-up" to R. Lindley Murray in the "final" last year and was ranked with Murray as No. 1, while Richards, at sixteen years of age, is considered better than Tilden and Dick Williams were. He is a coming champion and a pupil of Tilden's.

Richards Not Employed The only thing wrong with the story is that neither Bill Tilden nor Vincent Richards is employed in the sporting goods department of the John Wanamaker store. In fact, Richards is not in the employ of the Wanamaker store. Tilden works at Wanamaker's, but he is on the management payroll and not the sporting goods department's.

It is part of his duty to be in the sporting goods department at various times during the day. But he does little selling especially of tennis articles. The writer has been with Tilden in the sports department several times, but not once has he seen Tilden sell anything, considered with tennis. As for Richards, it is said that he soon will take a position with the Wanamaker firm, but it will not be in the sporting goods department under Tilden or Richards, say. He will be in the contracting department, if anywhere.

Why Not Gotham Stars? Prejudice is shown in the fact that, while many New York stars, including Fred Alexander, are employed by sporting goods firms, no mention is made of their amateur status. Tilden, a Philadelphia star, is mentioned as being considered because he is leaving New York to come over to this city. He expects to enter Germantown Academy next fall.

Local tennis followers are aroused by the New York report and intend to do all in their power to see that Tilden is not made the joke of a New York yarn. It was expected that the executive committee would bring up the amateur rule, but drawing Tilden and Richards into it came as a thunderbolt from a clear sky.

HARRISBURG QUINTET HERE

Meets St. Columbia Five at Traymore Hall Tonight Jim Coffey's championship St. Columbia five will meet the Harrisburg Independents in the first of a series of all night basketball games. The Saints will play at Traymore Hall, the visitors will depend on such well-known stars as "Horse" Haggerty, "Ike" McCord, a wonderful foul shooter, and Rote.

Jimmy Brown arrived back in town last evening, and will take his position at guard for St. Columbia. Gallagher, Lawrence, Martin and Dunleavy will take care of the other places. After the game there will be dancing. Pusey & Jones plays New York Ship tonight in a contest to determine the second half championship of the Shipyard League. This game will be played in the Camden armory. If Pusey & Jones wins another series, they will be sure to decide the season championship, as New York won the first half.

Smith and Braves Agree Columbus, Ga., March 24.—James Carlisle Smith, third baseman of the Boston Nationals, who has been holding out for more salary, signed a contract with the Braves of the club said. The salary was not announced.

MICHIGAN TAKES MEET

Johnson Stars for Winners in Conference Games Chicago, March 24.—Scoring in every one of his last four games, the star team of the University of Michigan Saturday night won the Western Conference indoor track and field championship with a total of 26 1/2 points; Chicago was second with 24, and Illinois third with 18. The remaining points were split 4-2 as follows: Northwestern, 13; Purdue, 4 1/2; Minnesota, 2; Iowa, 1 1/2; and Wisconsin, 1.

The victory was a repetition of the divergent triumph in the event a year ago. Johnson, of Michigan, was the star taking first in the high jump, fifty-yard dash and sixty-yard low hurdles.

A. E. F. Soccer Team in Draw New York, March 24.—(Grim determination such as that which led to the smashing of the Hindenburg defenses, gave the Twenty-seventh Division's soccer team, one of the strongest in the A. E. F., a 2-2 draw with a superbly played team from Brooklyn last night. The Brooklyn team was defeated by the Twenty-seventh Division's soccer team, one of the strongest in the A. E. F., a 2-2 draw with a superbly played team from Brooklyn last night. The Brooklyn team was defeated by the Twenty-seventh Division's soccer team, one of the strongest in the A. E. F., a 2-2 draw with a superbly played team from Brooklyn last night.

Murray Returns to Harvard Boston, March 24.—Billy Murray, Harvard's illustrious athlete, has received his honorable discharge from the army, visited his friends and took a train for Boston, Natick, where he will remain until he enrolls at Cambridge on Saturday. He will be in college in the twenty-yard low hurdles.

PENN WON'T ENTER 2-MILE RELAY RACE

Lancaster High Students Mobbed After Cage Game Scarcity of "880" Runners Causes Coach Robertson to Break Away From Quaker Custom

Lancaster, Pa., March 24.—Weary and bruised, 200 students of the local high school rode into town at 3 o'clock Saturday morning in auto trucks and reported that they had been mobbed and stoned out of York Friday night following a basketball game.

Police were called to protect them. After being chased to their trucks they found that the machines had been damaged by having that several hours' work was necessary to put them in shape. The local school has severed all athletic relations with the York High School.

YALE PRACTICE MAY 1 Guy Bates Will Have Charge of Football Drill New Haven, March 24.—Yale's football campaign will begin in about four weeks, when the spring practice will be ordered. It was today decided that because the sport has lapsed two years a training season of instruction will be desirable about May 1. Dr. Albert Warpe, the new head coach and athletic director, will have in charge the coaching of the squad (all about September 19, when the early fall work will be started. The spring practice will be in charge of Guy Bates, who was elected captain at the close of the 1916 season. If Gates decides to return to college next fall he will captain the eleven.

YALE TAKES SWIM HONORS Princeton Second and Penn Third in Title Meet New York, March 24.—Yale won the intercollegiate swimming championships in the pool of the College of the City of New York Saturday night, capturing four firsts, a second and a third for a total of 13 points.

Points scored by other colleges were: Princeton, 9; Pennsylvania, 5; Rutgers, 4; Columbia, 3; Amherst, 3; Wesleyan, 1; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1.

Edwin Binney, Jr., of Yale, defeated George Rogers of Columbia, in the fifty-yard swim. W. M. Chamberlain, Yale, was elected president of the Intercollegiate Swimming Association; G. Newman, Columbia, was chosen vice president, and W. J. Harris, Princeton, secretary-treasurer.

MIDDLES ELECT CAPTAINS Hales to Lead the Gymnasts and Swigart Wrestlers Annapolis, Md., March 24.—The captains have been elected at the Naval Academy in gymnastics and wrestling. Two sports, in which the midshipmen were won during the season just closed. Raleigh C. Hales, of North Carolina, a regular place winner on the living rings, was selected to lead the gymnasts next season. Carl R. Swigart, of Indiana, will captain the wrestlers.

PINEHURST PAIRINGS Mrs. R. H. Barlow Will Meet Mrs. J. Pritchard Today Pinehurst, N. C., March 24.—The draw for today's match round in the championship eight of the North and South tournaments, which were held in the following pairings: Mrs. M. J. Scamet, Baltimore, and Mrs. John D. Chapman, Raleigh; Mrs. H. H. Pittsford, Pittsburgh, and Mrs. Sara Fowles, Oakland; Mrs. J. R. Price, Pittsburgh, and Miss Elaine Rosenthal, Ravenna; Mrs. Ronald H. Barlow, Merion, and Mrs. J. C. Pritchard, Midlothian.

ANNUAL BILLIARD MEETING Amateur Association to Convene March 31 in New York New York, March 24.—Legislation which will advance the development of organized amateur billiards will be enacted at the annual meeting of the National Association of Amateur Billiard Players, which will be held March 31 at the Liederkranz Club.

Probably all of the national championship events of the year will be made at the coming meeting. The Boston A. A. has applied for Class A 18 1/2 championship at Detroit, the Chicago A. A. and the Illinois A. C. are all bidding for the three-cushion crown and pocket billiard tournaments at Detroit. A schedule of a total of 123 tournaments at various styles of billiards to be held there next season.

RECORD FOR POLLARD Meadowbrook Star Sets World's Mark in Hurdles Baltimore, March 24.—In the big indoor meet here Saturday night, in which there were 544 entries, Fred Pollard (scratch man), of the Meadowbrook Club, Philadelphia, made a new indoor world's record for 100-yard low hurdles of 11 2/5 seconds.

Shorter Signs With Detroit Scranton, Pa., March 24.—Charles Shorter, pitcher, was traded to Detroit several months ago by the Boston Americans, and will be with the Tigers at the start of the season. He will be with the Tigers on Tuesday of this week will leave for Macon, Ga.

Lagerblad and Howe Win Pinehurst, N. C., March 24.—Herbert Lagerblad, of Youngstown, and Walter Howe, of Worcester, who were defeated here last Sunday by Jimmie French, of York, Pa., and Willie Wilbur, of Harrisburg, Pa., in the best professional match of the season turned the tables in a return match yesterday, and won by 3 and 2.

Four More Dodgers Report Jacksonville, Fla., March 24.—Four more Dodgers have reported at the spring training camp. They are Krueger, Snyder, Brazil and Zack.

Big Stakes at Lorton Cincinnati, March 24.—Twenty-one events with a total value of \$45,000 will be run during the summer meeting of the Kentucky Jockey Club at Lorton, Ky., from June 4 to June 24. The big event of the meeting, a sweepstakes for the Kentucky Derby, will be run on June 4. It has a value of \$15,000 and which will be run June 7.

Redeemable After Franchise Redwood, Pa., March 24.—The local athletic association has decided to put a baseball team in the field this season and is negotiating for a place in the Danbury-Terry League.

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